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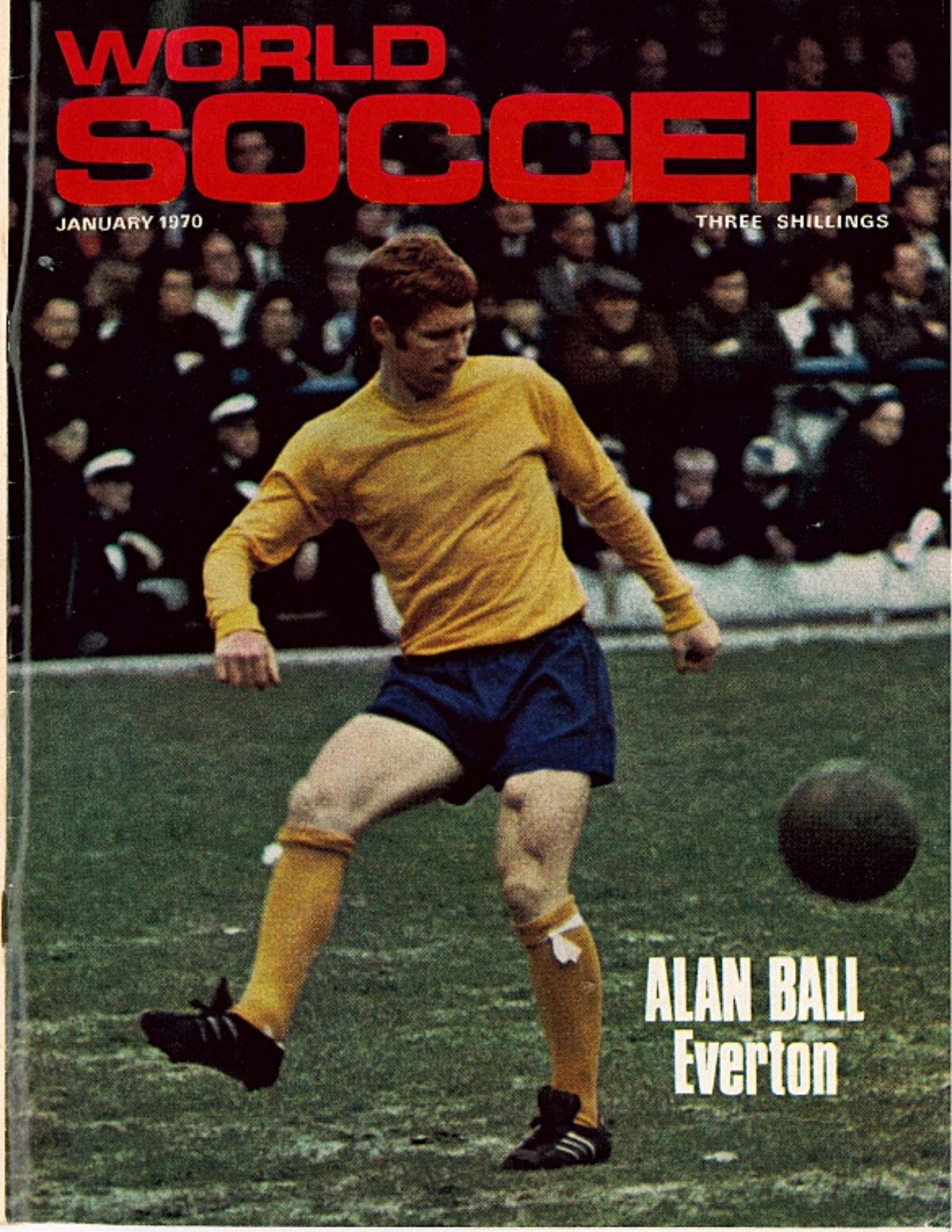

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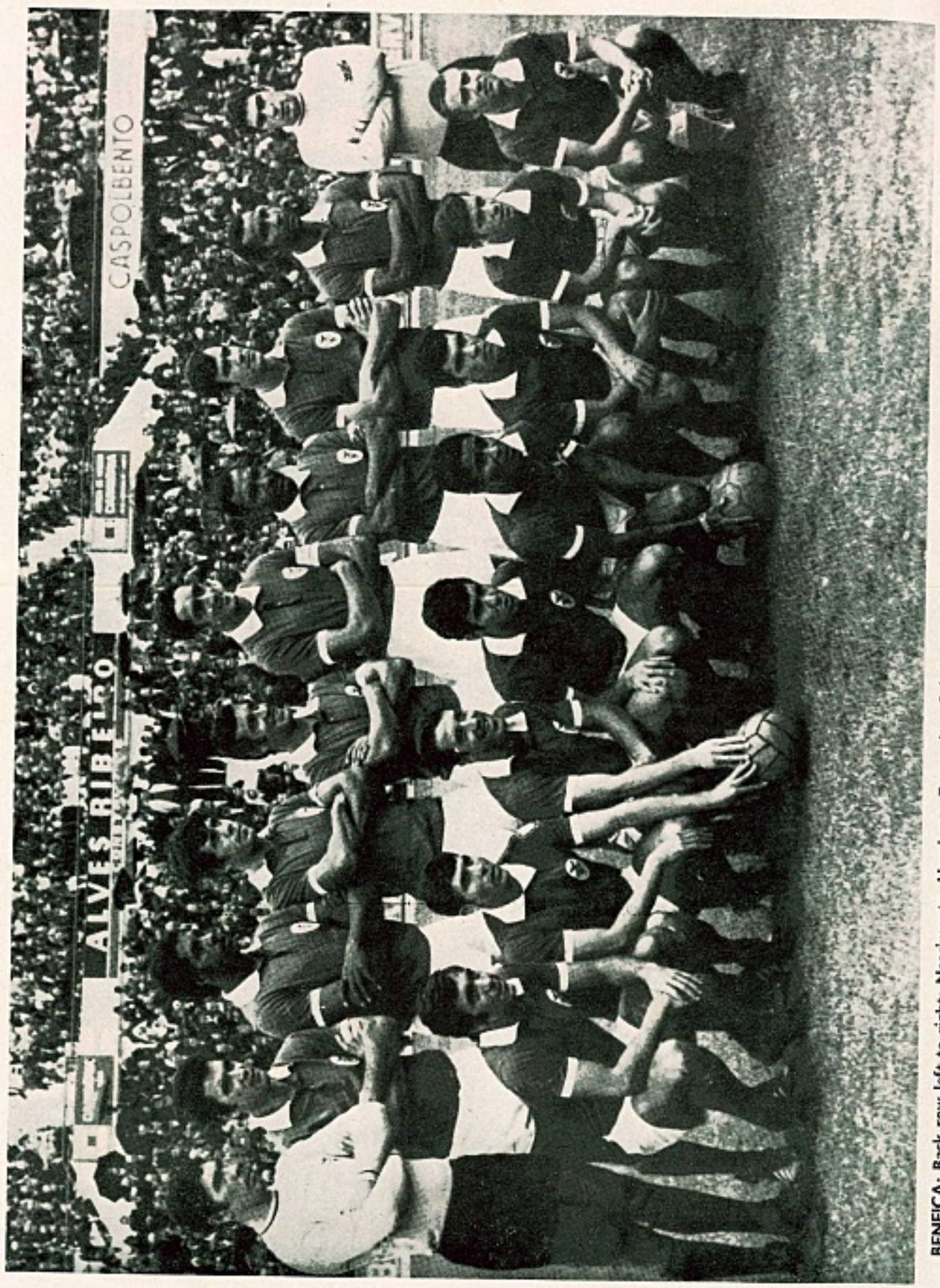

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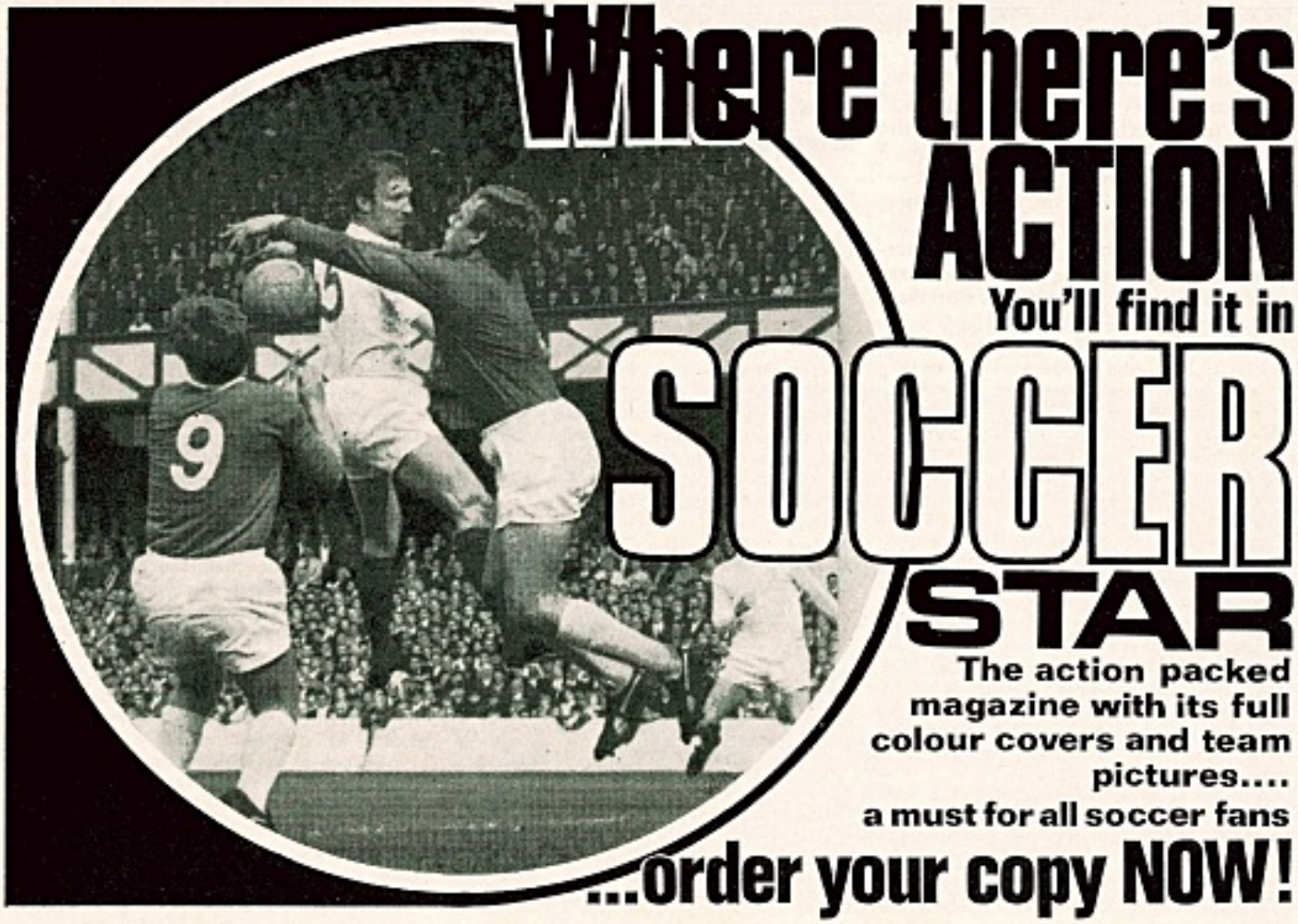

ESTUDIANTES

Report by

SO Estudiantes finally got their due. Three years of "gamesmanship" taken to the extreme and dragging the name of Argentine soccer in the mud —even while winning major trophies— have finally recoiled on them because General Ongania, President of the Argentine Republic, saw their Inter-Continental Cup game in Buenos Aires versus Milan on TV and was horrified.

He went on record with a few wise words about his country's lost prestige and suddenly the Press and public were keener than ever to voice their disgust and FA officials at last saw things in the right perspective and made the punishment fit the crime.

Goalkeeper Alberto Poletti has been completely expelled from football for kicking an injured Milan player who was being attended to on the ground and attacking another after the game as he was congratulating an Estudiantes team-mate. Defender Ramon Aguirre Suarez was suspended for 30 games and for five years for international games. He sent two Italians off on a stretcher with vicious fouls, before being sent off for attacking another. Defender Eduardo Manera was suspended for 20 games and three years for international games. He was sent off for kicking an opponent, but before that he had done plenty of spitting at them.

Furthermore, the police arrested all three for 30 days on the charge of inciting disorder and causing injury—a common custom in Argentine soccer. In contrast the South American Football Confederation's sanctions seemed a joke—four international games under their jurisdiction and two in the Inter-Continental Cup for Poletti, two and two respectively for Aguirre Suarez and Manera.

The bigger joke, if one can call it that, is that Poletti, Aguirre Suarez, Manera and team-mates had been kicking, spitting and wilfully injuring opponents for years. It will be remembered that Racing Club (Inter-Continental Cup winners of 1967) played the same type of "game" against Glasgow Celtic that year, but their unsavory three-match series brought virtually no punishment from the lenient Argentine FA. That naturally encouraged others.

The blame must be shared in this case by Estudiantes officials for condoning this behaviour and by coach, Osvaldo Zubeldia, for even encouraging it instead of checking it and taking the culprits out of the team. Zubeldia wanted aggressive soccer, but this was pure aggression with little or no soccer. Zubeldia now protests, however, that he asked his players to mark closely and not let their opponents move, but they got the wrong meaning.

The Argentine fans, happy to have teams of world class first in Racing and then Estudiantes, watched the antics with glee at first, forgetting that so little actual soccer was being offered in these games, but in the end they were disgusted too, along with their President.

The end was the night of the second leg encounter between Estudiantes and Milan . . . the night Argentine fans showed they weren't "animal" lovers after all.

THE "GAME"

With a 3-0 deficit from the first leg at Milan, the Argentines didn't have much hope and they couldn't take much comfort from past performances. Never a high-scoring team, Estudiantes had rarely netted three goals in a game and, in fact, had only got two goals in their four league games prior to the match (before putting their third eleven into league games). There had been six previous meetings between Italian and Argentine teams in the Continental Cup and the latter had only managed to score once against the Italians' *catenaccio* defence—a lucky goal obtained by Independiente against Internazionale (Milan) in 1964 when a weak shot was caught by the goalkeeper who then inexplicably let the ball slip through his hands.

Estudiantes' coach, Zubeldia's, hopes of breaking through Milan's well-drilled defence was to concentrate attacks on one side to draw it out and then quickly switch play

Milan goalkeeper Cudicini punches clear a centre during their away leg against Estudiantes. (EW)

to the empty spaces on the other side of the field, but it didn't work out that way.

Right from the start it was evident that Milan were intent on packing their defence. Every time danger threatened they had eight men in their penalty area. Estudiantes, almost constantly on attack, couldn't break through, but they were unlucky with a number of shots from outside the area. Milan goalie, Cudicini, was kept busy and other shots went just wide.

But if the La Plata team were unlucky in missing chances, they could thank their lucky stars not to have players sent off early on. The first really ugly incident came when Milan's Prati had an injury attended to. As he was getting up, Poletti ran up to kick him in the ribs and ran away again. The referee didn't see it.

INJURED

After 20 minutes, Estudiantes, usually dangerous with corners, had their first but wasted it as the ball went behind the goal-line. They continued to press, but a Milan break-away led to Aguirre Suarez attempting a sliding tackle (which was actually aimed at the opponent's legs), missing and leaving a loophole through which Rivera broke to score in 30 minutes. Three minutes later Prati was injured needlessly by Aguirre Suarez and had to be taken off on a stretcher to be replaced by Rognoni.

CONDEMNED

ERIC WEIL

Estudiantes went back on attack and in the last minute before half-time Bilardo's shot from outside the area was partially stopped by a Milan defender and deflected up for Conigliaro to head into the empty goalmouth. Following a corner, already in extra time added on for stoppages, Aguirre Suarez shot through a crowd of players to beat Cudicini for the winner, making amends for his earlier mistake which had let Milan in.

With a 2-1 half-time lead, Estudiantes had a hope and this was improved when Echecopar came on to replace Bilardo 10 minutes after the re-start and speeded up mid-field transmission enormously. But still the La Plata team couldn't catch the Milan defence napping, with German, Schnellinger in the "sweeper up" role, always in the right place.

After 25 minutes the game was held up following a succession of fouls. Aguirre Suarez had floored Combin by crashing his elbow in the Milan player's face. Players of both teams crowded round the referee and after some argument Aguirre Suarez was sent off—he had been lucky to be allowed to stay in the game for so long—while Combin became the second Milan player to be taken off on a stretcher. As no further replacements were permitted, both teams continued with 10 men.

The last 20 minutes saw Estudiantes milling around the Milan goal and missing more chances. During corners and free shots there were as many as 18 players in the Milan penalty area. The Italian team made no effort to attack, but as the seconds ticked by and no further goals came, their tactics were crowned with success.

Estudiantes defender, Manera, was sent off five minutes from the end when caught in the act of kicking an opponent, but earlier he had done a good bit of spitting at opponents. Nevertheless, he had played a good game, as did Conigliaro, Togneri and Echecopar for the winners.

● Estudiantes deserved the 2-1 win and missed enough chances, mostly due to nerves and too hurried play, to have been able to wipe out Milan's lead. Due to the friction, fouls and arguments, virtually all caused by the Argentine team, they killed their own chances by holding up the game too much.

● Estudiantes, accustomed to employing defensive tactics, time-wasting and "cooling" the game, were forced to use tactics foreign to them in this second leg which they started with a 3-0 deficit. As half-time approached, they had just started clicking as an attacking machine. The two goals in the 45th and 46th minute took the fight out of Milan and at that point they might have let in more. The half-time whistle put a stop to it and after the break Estudiantes forgot to carry on where they left off and that they now had another 45 minutes in which to repeat what they had just done in two minutes.

● This game needed a strict referee, but Chilean, Domingo Massaro, just wasn't up to it. Yet this battle was no worse than former editions . . . Celtic-Racing (1967) or Manchester United-Estudiantes (1968).

● Not only players taking part in the Inter-Continental Cup have come in for a lot of knocks. The Cup itself (which crossed the ocean after having been won by South American clubs for the last three years), has a big dent in it. In play since 1960 between European and South American cup winners, it has now been won six times by the South Americans and four times by Europeans.

COMBIN'S ORDEAL

Argentine-born Nestor Combin, who left the country at the age of 17 and earned fame as a footballer in France before ending up with Milan, didn't have a happy home-coming. During the match several Estudiantes players called him a traitor and spat at him. Finally Aguirre Suarez's elbow punch sent him out of the game on a stretcher. Still groggy, he was dragged off by the military authorities (under the pretext of giving him a stronger guard against angry fans outside the stadium) and charged as a deserter as he had not done his military service in the Argentine. Next day he was freed and allowed to return to Italy with his team mates who had refused to leave without him. Intervention by the French and Italian ambassadors as well as Government officials was needed to get the charges dropped against him. Apparently it had all been a mistake. Combin had done his military service in France and an agreement between the two countries, dating back to 1927, recognises this as valid.

Milan AC: Standing left to right: Sormani, Rivera, Fogli, Rosato, Prati, Schnellinger, Cudicini. Kneeling: Combin, Malatrasi, Anquiletti, Lodetti. (EW)

Italy strong at home

International Post-Mortem

by ROGER MACDONALD

FRANCE find their form too late; Hungary force a play-off with Czechoslovakia; Rumania and Russia qualify for Mexico, followed by Italy, too strong at home for the East Germans; Australia find Rhodesia a tough nut to crack.

Only 15,000 bothered to turn out at the Parc des Princes for France's home tie against Sweden, meaningless in World Cup terms because Sweden had already made sure of qualifying by beating France in Stockholm the month before. Still, it provided the French with a much-needed opportunity to boost their morale, which they did in no uncertain fashion.

Even allowing for the fact that Sweden did not regard the match as a critical one, and fielded a rather experimental team, no one expected them to concede three goals in a sensational six minutes just before half-time. A hint of French firepower to come was a shot from Loubet that brought the Swedish goalkeeper Hellstrom to his knees; then outside-right Bras opened the scoring, Djorkaeff got a second from a penalty, and Bras got his second goal just on half-time. In all it was an unhappy game for Sweden, who lost Tommy Svensson following a collision in the penalty area; but the form of Roger Magnusson, dancing down the right-wing, once again suggests he is a certainty for Mexico.

Defeat for another one of the finalists, Morocco, 1-0 in Algeria (where to be fair they were without three of their best players) and 2-0 in the academic World Cup-tie with Nigeria. The match was transferred to Ibadan because of lack of interest, but the Nigerians certainly took it seriously.

Morocco had perhaps the better of the first half, but when the sun went down and the floodlights came on, Nigeria took control. Their inside-left Muhammed Lawal scored from a penalty in the 67th minute, and eight minutes from time inside-right Garuba Okoye scored a second goal with a remarkable shot over at least 40 yards. Nigeria looked clearly the better side, and must now be regretting those lapses in defence against the Sudan that put Morocco through to the finals.

Morocco were the tenth country to reach Mexico; and they were soon followed by Rumania, Russia and Italy. Rumania are in the last 16 for the first time since 1938, but they found Greece unexpectedly tough opponents in the deciding match at Bucharest. The Greeks postponed a month of league matches to get their team into shape.

In front of a noisy and excitable crowd estimated at 98,000, Rumania began nervously, and with the Greeks unused to the pitch, both teams made a lot of mistakes. Papaionou missed a good chance after eight minutes, but Dinu showed that anything Greece couldn't do Rumania couldn't do either by missing equally badly in the 14th minute. Then Russia got the ball in a three men to two men situation, but Satmareanu spent so long admiring an open goal that he forgot to put the ball between the posts.

The crowd was whistling shrilly when Rumania finally went ahead seven minutes before half-time. Dobrin hooked the ball into the Greek penalty area and Dembrowski hurled himself forward to head a spectacular goal beyond the despairing acrobatics of Ikonomopoulos.

Greece then brought on Botinos for Roudas, a switch which made them much more menacing in midfield. Rumania were surprised by the force of their offensive, and it was no surprise when Greece equalised in the 49th minute, a great goal by Domazos, who whipped the ball home from the edge of the area.

Greece then sensed that victory was in the air, and with it of course a trip to Mexico. Somehow Rumania hung on, twice surviving more by luck than judgment. Then in the last half hour Greece began to fade and Rumania came back into the match. They might have won, for Dumitrache scooped a shot over the bar from the closest possible range, and Ikonomopoulos did well to deflect drives by Demrowski and Nunweiller. Rumania, on this showing, do not seem likely to be a force in the finals, but they have six months to knock their team into shape before the first shot is fired in Mexico.

Equalizer

At Berne, in the same group, Switzerland and Portugal played out a 1-1 draw that meant nothing in terms of qualification. Portugal led at half-time, Eusebio scoring in the 40th minute, and they were still ahead until the last two minutes, when Muenzli got the equalizer. That goal meant that Portugal, third in the

MARTIN PETERS, in action for England against Holland. (LPA)

THE MONTH'S GAMES

Paris: France 3, Sweden 0 WC
Algiers: Algeria 1, Morocco 0
Berne: Switzerland 1, Portugal 1 WC
Rome: Italy 4, Wales 1 WC
Budapest: Hungary 4, Eire 0 WC
Vienna: Austria 2, Scotland 0 WC
Amsterdam: Netherlands 0, England 1
Mexico City: Mexico 1, Belgium 0
Ibadan: Nigeria 2, Morocco 0 WC
Warsaw: Poland 3, Bulgaria 0 WC
Dakar: Senegal 0, Army Rostov 4
Bucharest: Rumania 1, Greece 1 WC
Istanbul: Turkey 1, USSR 3 WC
Kinshasha: Congo Kinshasha 10, Zambia 1
Naples: Italy 3, East Germany 0 WC
Lourenco Marques: Rhodesia 1, Australia 1 WC
Kinshasha: Zambia 2, Army Rostov 4
Lourenco Marques: Australia 0 Rhodesia 0 WC

WC—World Cup

Luigi Riva heads Italy's third goal in their World Cup victory over East Germany. (UPI)

world in 1966, finished bottom of their group in the 1970 qualifying tournament—a spectacular and ignominious decline running parallel with the decline of Benfica and Eusebio.

Equally anti-climatic was the match between Austria and Scotland in Vienna, which did not even decide the placings in the group already won by West Germany. Both countries had problems in choosing a team, for Scotland had to call on two players not even nominated in their original 22, John Connolly and Peter Lorimer, while Austria were without several of their top players on the books of German clubs. Only Norbert Hof of Hamburg was released to play, the others being allegedly injured, though Pumm of Bayern Munich rather let the cat out of the bag by stating publicly he was fit enough to play but his club would not let him go.

Headed

Only 11,000 turned out to see Austria dominate the match against a jaded Scottish side in which the ill-fated Hugh Curran finally won his first cap. Both the Austrian goals were scored by outside-left Helmut Redl. The first came in the 14th minute; the second when he headed in a lob by Geyer seven minutes after half-time.

On the same night England put up an equally unimpressive performance in a friendly against Holland at Amsterdam, winning, it is true, but not playing well enough to deserve it. Even allowing for the absence of Banks, Ball and Labone, and the evident disorientation of Peters, only just reconciled with West Ham, it was not a satisfactory victory.

The Dutch played one new cap, Ajax full-back Ruud Krol, and recalled the rebellious Johann Cruyff, sorely missed against Bulgaria. Cruyff had a superb match, giving the England defence a lot of trouble, and it took an outstanding performance by Peter Bonetti to keep England on even keel.

But England will be in the last 16, and so will the Soviet Union, quickly disposing of Northern Ireland's faint hopes of a play-off. Russia needed only a draw against Turkey in Istanbul, but they went confidently for a win, scoring through Asatiani after just three minutes. The Turkish goalkeeper Ali should have stopped his 30-yard shot, and Ali was lucky just before half-time when he palmed away a centre by Serebryanikov that was clearly over the goal-line.

By this time the Russians led 2-1, for although Ender equalised for Turkey, Khmelinitisky quickly scored with a perfectly placed shot from the edge of the penalty area. Any thoughts that Turkey might do something sensational in the second half were dispelled by a second goal from Asatiani, who raced through on his own to score with a close-range shot.

After the match Russia came in for some harsh criticism from Adman Suvari, once Turkey's coach, who said Russia would not win the World Cup and in fact they would be lucky to reach the quarter-finals. But all the signs are that the Soviet Union are at last finding the young talent up front and in midfield to support their formidable defence, and I shall be surprised if they do not do at least as well in Mexico as they did in England. As for Turkey, two goals scored and 13 conceded in four games tells its own story.

Whether Russia were joined by Hungary or Czechoslovakia as eastern European representatives in the last 16 depended on a play-off at Marseille on December 3. Hungary made sure of that play-off by beating the Republic of Ireland 4-0. Rather remarkably, it was Hungary's first home win over Eire—they met twice before the war, in 1936 and 1939, and drew twice.

Newcomer

Ireland fought hard to keep the score down, and were only one behind at half-time, a goal by Halmosi in the 31st minute. Halmosi, a newcomer to the Hungarian side, had a brilliant match, making two of the other goals. Bene scored just after half-time, Puskas got the third, and Kocsis the fourth with a free-kick which Kelly ought to have stopped. The game ended violently, for in the last ten minutes Dempsey was sent off for throwing the ball at the referee, and Szucs followed him to the dressing-rooms a minute early for a savage foul on Treacy.

Still in eastern Europe, Poland kept Bulgaria from celebrating their qualification by beating them 3-0 in Warsaw, in perhaps the best match of the month. It was a triumph especially for Gornik, who provided five players for the national side but still beat Rangers 3-1 a few days later virtually without preparation. Goalkeeper Hubert Kostka; defenders Henryk Latocha and Stanislaw Oslizlo; midfield man Zygfryd Szoltysik and the famous striker Vlodzimierz Lubanski all turned out against Bulgaria in a game Poland had to win to stay in the World Cup.

Nearly 80,000 watched the tie, including 15,000 Bulgarians, who came with sandwiches and slivovitch on a convoy of trains and coaches all the way from Sofia. They had little to cheer about, for Poland stormed into attack from the first whistle. In the 9th minute goalkeeper Simeonov was hurt diving at Lubanski's feet, but the Bulgarian coach Stefan Bozkou, decided after much deliberation to let him stay on the field. In the 18th minute Andrej Jarosik, already stamping his mark on the match, culminated a sweet move down the middle with a 20-yard shot which hit the top corner of the Bulgarian net. Simeonov, holding his head, made only a token effort to stop the ball—although his chances of a save were in any case rather remote.

Bozkou then decided that Simeonov did have concussion, the right decision at the wrong time—for it left his team-mates convinced they had conceded an unnecessary goal and brought on the suspect Filipov at a stage when the game had already swung in Poland's favour.

Not that Filipov could be blamed for the second and third goals from Jarosik and Kazimierz Deyna. Jarosik got his second from close range in the 64th minute after the ball had moved from one end of the field to the other without a single Bulgarian touching it. Then, 15 minutes from time, Deyna ran through on his own to score the third. This defeat, their first in the World Cup qualifying stages, meant that Bulgaria had to beat Luxemburg in Luxemburg on December 7—not a hard task until one remembers that Bulgaria won only 2-1 at home . . . and that with a penalty.

Italy needed to win their two home games against Wales and East Germany to qualify, and win them they did—although not so convincingly in terms of striking skill that they can be placed among the favourities for the World Cup itself. Against Wales, in Rome, Italy had a weak midfield and a slow defence, which would have been breached several times by a quicker and

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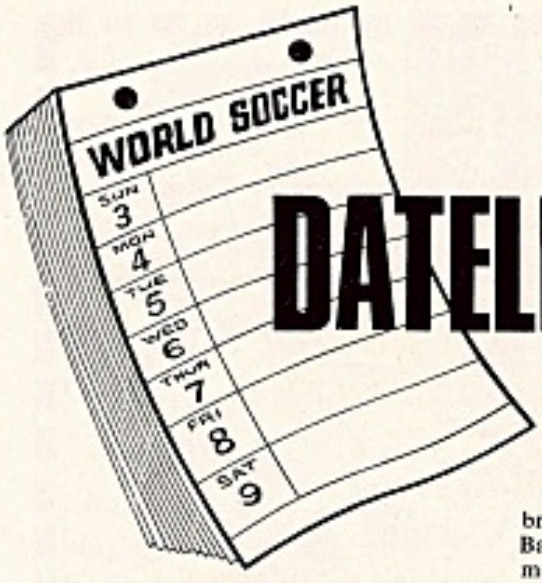

DATELINE DIARY

OCTOBER 21

MEXICO CITY: Mexico defeated Bermuda 3-0 in a Concacaf qualification match played here tonight. The goals were scored by Mancilla in the 5th and 30th minutes and by Langarica after six minutes in the second half.

OCTOBER 29

LISBON: Arsenal achieved a 0-0 draw in the first leg of their Fairs Cup match against Sporting Lisbon here today.

BRUGES: FC Bruges thrashed Ujpest Dozsa 5-2 after leading 2-1 at the interval. Scorers were: Rensenbrink (3) and Turesson (2) for the Belgians, Juhasz and Fazekas for Dozsa.

CHARLEROI: A 15,000 crowd watched FC Charleroi beat Rouen (3-1) 3-1 in a Fairs Cup match here today. Rossot (2) and Spaute put Charleroi ahead before Villa scored a consolation goal.

BUCHAREST: Two goals from Dembrovski (the first a penalty) enabled Dinamo Bacau to defeat Skied of Oslo in a Fairs Cup match here today. The score at half-time was 0-0.

NOVEMBER 1

SAN SALVADOR: Brazilian footballer Elio Rodriguez playing for local Alianza, was arrested by police for having attacked and punched 11 Municipal goalie Carlos Moran at the end of a game which Alianza won 3-0.

NOVEMBER 2

HAMILTON, Bermuda: Mexico qualified for the fourth biannual Concacaf Nations' Cup to be held in Costa Rica despite losing 2-1 against Bermuda here today. Bermuda's goals were scored by Brangman and Dowling and Santana tallied for Mexico.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica: Costa Rica, host to this year's Concacaf Cup, played its first game of preparation here today beating Guatemalan league champions Comunicaciones 2-1. Costa Rica scored through Saenz (25) and Lopez (89). Rodas scored for Comunicaciones in the 48th minute.

NOVEMBER 4

KINGSTON, Jamaica: In a Concacaf qualification game played here tonight Jamaica and Panama drew 1-1. Dennis Zaidie opened up the scoring for Jamaica and Ernesto Tapia later scored Panama's equalizer.

NOVEMBER 5

VIENNA: Austria beat Scotland 2-0, both goals coming from Redl, in the final match of World Cup Group VII.

WARSAW: A Polish soccer fan has been jailed for a year for beating up a referee during a secondary league match at Bedzin, near Katowice, South Poland, the official news agency PAP reported today.

BUDAPEST: Hungary beat Eire 4-0 (1-0) here today in a World Cup qualifying round match. They now have to meet Czechoslovakia in a play-off to decide which of the two countries will compete in Mexico. Halmosi, Bene, Puskas and Kocsis scored the goals before a 20,000 crowd.

AMSTERDAM: A goal in the 84th minute by Colin Bell gave England a 1-0 victory over Holland in a friendly international played here today. However, the Dutch newspapers were critical of England's performance the following day. *Het Vrije Volk* carried the headline: "If it had been boxing, we would have won on points," while the *Volkstrant* said: "What a poor show for the World Champions." *Volkstrant* added: "The stubborn defensive concept of play was almost never varied with a fluid pattern of attack." The newspaper singled out Bobby Charlton as the only one who "could impress by intelligent, adroit manoeuvres", while *Trouw* blamed England goalkeeper Peter Bonetti for Holland's defeat. *De Telegraaf* said defeat was undeserved and the Dutch created chances for a better result but "lacked a man who could finish the attacks".

ZRENJANIN: Yugoslavia beat Sweden 2-0 to retain the Under 23 European Soccer Challenge Cup here today. Cvetovic scored in the first half and Krivokuca in the 83rd minute.

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DJAKARTA: Indonesia plans to invite overseas teams to play here next year, an Indonesian Football Association spokesman said here today. He said the decision followed a Government plan to move troops out of the 100,000-capacity Djakarta Stadium which they have been occupying since the abortive communist coup attempt in 1965. The spokesman said a number of teams, particularly from Eastern Europe, had shown interest in Indonesia. He did not elaborate.

MEXICO CITY: Belgium slumped to a 1-0 defeat by Mexico in a friendly international here last night. The Belgians, who have already qualified for the World Cup finals, were beaten by a 90-second goal from Mexican half-back Alberto Onofre, making his international debut.

Mick Jones in action for Leeds against Ferencvaros in the first leg of their European Cup tie, won 6-0 on aggregate by Leeds. (A)

DUNFERMLINE: Dunfermline beat Gwardia Warsaw 2-1 (1-0) in a Fairs Cup match played here last night. McLean and Gardner scored for Dunfermline, Marczak for Gwardia.

NOVEMBER 9

GUATEMALA CITY: Costa Rica's national team and local side Comunicaciones drew 1-1 in a friendly disputed here today as part of Costa Rica's preparation for the Concacaf Nations' Cup.

NOVEMBER 10

MOSCOW: Moscow Spartak beat the Central Army Sports Club 1-0 here today to win the Soviet Union league championship for the ninth time. Spartak's victory left them with 43 points from 26 games.

SYDNEY: The Secretary of the Australian Soccer Federation, Mr. Brian Le Fevre, said here today he had answered a South Korean complaint over the World Cup eligibility of a number of Australian players. South Korea, beaten by Australia in a World Cup qualifying series in Seoul last month, complained to FIFA that seven Australian players were ineligible because they held British passports. In Kuala Lumpur on Saturday the Asian Football Confederation asked its FIFA delegates to seek a speedy ruling from FIFA. Mr. Le Fevre said he had received a copy of the South Korean complaint and had replied to FIFA headquarters in Zurich that all 22 Australian players who went to Seoul were Australian citizens. He added that an immigrant could be an Australian citizen and still retain his British passport.

NOVEMBER 11

BRUSSELS: Anderlecht beat Coleraine 6-1 in a Fairs Cup match played here today. Anderlecht led 3-1 at the interval. The goals came from Mulder (2), Van Binst, Hanon and Devrindt. Murray scored for Coleraine.

MEXICO CITY: In their best showing to date, the 1970 World Cup host, Mexico easily defeated Norway 4-0 in a friendly contested here tonight. Mexico's goals were scored by Onofre (7), Padilla (38), Ponce (70), and Velarde (71).

NOVEMBER 12

GLASGOW: Celtic thrashed Benfica 3-0 in the first leg of their European Cup tie here today. Gemmell, Wallace and Hood scored the goals for Celtic, who led 2-0 at the interval.

LEEDS: Three goals in the opening 35 minutes gave Leeds United a 3-0 victory over Ferencvaros in a European Cup match at Elland Road. Giles and Jones (2) were the scorers.

SOUTHAMPTON: Southampton beat Vitoria Guimaraes 5-1 in the second leg of their Fairs Cup tie to win 8-4 on aggregate.

KIEV: Fiorentina beat Dynamo Kiev 1-2 (0-1) in a European Cup match here today. Serebryannikov scored for Kiev, Chiarugi and Maraschi for Fiorentina.

LIERSE: Manchester City beat Lierse SK 3-0 in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Francis Lee (2) and Colin Bell were the scorers for Manchester City who led 3-0 at half-time.

The world's, in size, smallest soccer power! Bermuda, here checking next year's World Cup final pitch at the Aztec Stadium in Mexico City. Back row left to right: Albert Dowling, John Tucker, Dale Russell, Wendell Trott, Earlstone Jennings, George Brangman, Roger Hunt, Randolph Horton, Gary Darrell, Noel Simons, and coach Bernd Fischer. Front row left to right: Granville Nusum, Gladwin Daniels, Derrick Russell, Kenneth Cann, Winston Trott, and David Frost.

WEST BERLIN: Hertha beat Juventus 3-1 (2-1) in a Fairs Cup match here today. Gayer, Wild and Steffan Lagen for Hertha, Anastasi for Juventus. Attendance: 35,000.

STUTTGART: VFB Stuttgart drew 0-0 with Naples in a Fairs Cup match here today. Attendance: 20,000.

IZMIR: Goeztepe Izmir beat Cardiff City 3-0 (3-0) in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Fevzi, Ertan, Nielssen were the scorers. Attendance: 25,000.

WARSAW: Legia Warsaw beat St. Etienne 2-1 (0-1) in a European Cup match today. Pieszko, Deyna scored for Legia, Revelli for St. Etienne.

NORRKOEPING: Norkoepning and Schalke 04 drew 0-0 in a Cup Winners Cup match today. Attendance: 2,300.

CHORZOW: Gornik Zabrze beat Glasgow Rangers 3-1 (2-0) in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Lubanski (2) and Szoltysik scored for Gornik, Persson for Rangers.

MILAN: European Cup holders AC Milan defeated Feyenoord 1-0 (1-0) in a European Cup match played here today. Combin was the scorer.

ROME: PSV Eindhoven lost 1-0 to AS Roma in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Half-time score was 0-0. The Roma scorer was: Capello (pen.).

SETUBAL: Vitoria Setubal beat Liverpool 1-0 in a Fairs Cup match played here today. Tome scored for Setubal in the first half.

MAGDEBURG: FC Magdeburg beat Academica 1-0 in a Cup Winners Cup match played here tonight. Sparwasser scored for the East Germany club before the interval. Attendance: 16,000.

ROSTOCK: Inter-Milan lost 2-1 to FC Hansa Rostock in a Fairs Cup match here today. Inter led 1-0 at half-time. Hergesell and Sackritz scored for Hansa, Boninsegna for Inter. Attendance: 30,000.

TRNAVA: Spartak Trnava beat Galatasaray 1-0 in a European Cup match here today. Kabat was the scorer in the second-half. Attendance: 20,000.

EAST BERLIN: FC Vorwaerts defeated Red Star (Yugoslavia) 2-1 (1-1) in a European Cup match here today. Fraessdorf and Begerad scored for Vorwaerts, Jevic (A) for Red Star. Attendance: 10,000.

JENA: Carl Zeiss Jena defeated Cagliari 2-0 (0-0) in a Fairs Cup match here today. Rock and Irmscher scored for Jena. Attendance: 20,000.

SOFIA: Levski Sofia beat Gallen 4-0 in a Cup Winners Cup match her today after leading 2-0 at the interval. Panov, Mitkov, Kostov, Kirilov (J.) were the scorers. Attendance: 30,000.

MARSEILLES: Olympique Marseilles drew 1-1 with Dynamo Zagreb in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Loubet scored for the French club, Cercek for Dynamo. Attendance: 45,000. Half-time: 1-0.

PALMA: Spain and France drew 0-0 in an amateur international played at the Luis Sitiar Stadium here tonight. Attendance: 28,000.

NOVEMBER 14

GUATEMALA CITY: By taking advantage of the opponents' errors Norway tonight defeated Guatemala 3-1.

NOVEMBER 15

JOAO PESSOA: Pele scored the 999th goal of his career last night and then played goalkeeper for the rest of the match. When a player of his own team; Santos, was fouled in the penalty area during the friendly match against Paraiba State, Pele suggested the victim should take the kick. But after chanting from the crowd hoping to witness his 1,000th goal and a request

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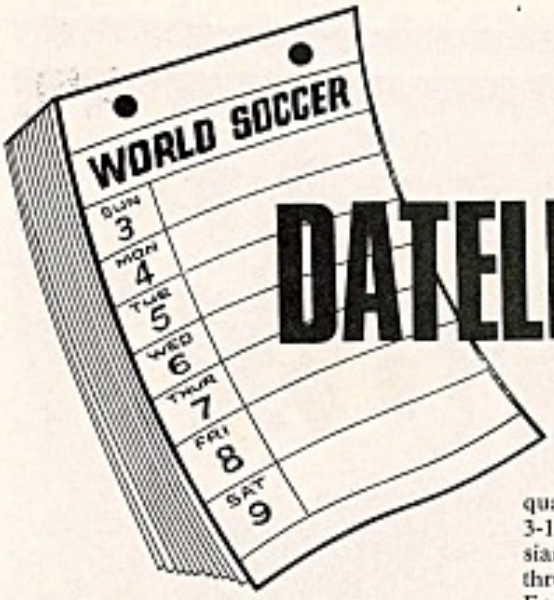

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from his team manager, Pele took the penalty and scored. Shortly afterwards Santos goalkeeper Aguinaldo was hurt and Pele replaced him, to the irritation of the crowd. Santos won 3-0.

GENEVA: FIFA today rejected a complaint by South Korea about the eligibility of Australian players in the recent World Cup qualifying series in Seoul.

NOVEMBER 16

BUCHAREST: Rumania qualified for the World Cup finals in Mexico next year after drawing 1-1 with Greece here today. Rumania led 1-0 at half-time. Dembrowski scored for Rumania, Domazos for Greece.

ISTANBUL: The Soviet Union, watched by England team manager Sir Alf Ramsey, qualified for the World Cup finals with a 3-1 win over Turkey here today. The Russians led 2-1 at the interval and scored through Asatiana (2) and Khmelinitsky. Ender scored for Turkey.

NOVEMBER 17

SALVADOR: Pele, despite six shots at goal, failed to score his 1,000th goal in a match against Bahia here today. Amid rising tension in the 38,000 crowd—with another 5,000 spectators watching from the surrounding hillsides—the 28-year-old Santos star blasted one of his shots against the bar in the final minute. After the match Pele said: "I did everything I could, but I couldn't make it. I might have made it two or three times but the goalkeeper got in the way."

ROME: Police cars with sirens wailing scattered hundreds of angry soccer fans outside Rome's Olympic Stadium tonight after players from the visiting club, Sampdoria, were stoned following a dramatic 3-3 draw with AS Roma. Teenage fans stormed the dressing rooms and threw cobble stones at the Sampdoria players after the home team threw away a three-goal lead and the lowly Genoa side drew level in the last 25 minutes of the first division match.

A policeman, hit on the head by a stone, was taken to hospital. One person was arrested as police cars dispersed the crowd—mostly teenagers—outside the stadium. The Roma coach—with the referee on board—was also stoned as it sped away from the ground through a side exit. The Sampdoria players, who retreated into the stadium buildings under a hail of stones and tree branches, left with a police escort after the fans had been driven off.

NOVEMBER 19

AMSTERDAM: Ajax Amsterdam, losing finalists in last season's European Cup, pulverised Ruch Chorzow (Poland) 7-0 in a second round first leg Fairs Cup match tonight. Cruyff, Vasovic and Van Dijk scored two goals each, Swart one.

OPORTO: Newcastle drew 0-0 with FC Oporto in the first leg of a Fairs Cup match here today.

ROUEN: Rouen FC beat RSC Charleroi 2-0 in a Fairs Cup second round, second leg match here today. Rouen led 1-0 at the interval and scored through Rusticelli and Villa. The teams were level, 3-3, on aggregate but Rouen qualified on the away goals rule. Attendance: 5,900.

LIEGE: Standard Leige beat Real Madrid 1-0 here today with a goal from Kostedde in the 41st minute. The match was a European Cup, second round, first leg tie.

WARSAW: Dunfermline Athletic beat Gwardia Warsaw 1-0 (1-0) in a Fairs Cup, second round, second leg tie here tonight. Renton scored after three minutes. Dunfermline qualified on a 3-1 aggregate. Attendance: 12,000.

RIO DE JANEIRO: Pele today scored his 1,000th goal from a penalty kick. Spectators rushed from their seats in the 200,000 capacity Maracana Stadium and invaded the field as referee Manoel Amaro de Lima permitted the game to be stopped. Pele was carried high on the shoulders of the invading crowd with photographers elbowing their way in to take pictures.

NOVEMBER 21

SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE (Canary Islands): Spain reached the semi-finals of the European Amateur Championship by beating England 2-0 here tonight. Jose Luis Gardzon and Enrique Castro scored the two goals in the first half.

NOVEMBER 22

NAPLES: Italy scored three first half goals in a 29-minute burst to beat East Germany 3-0 here today and become the 13th nation to win a place in the World Cup finals. Watched by an 80,000 crowd, Italy scored through Sandro Mazzola, Angelo Domenghini and Luigi Riva.

Standard Liege goalkeeper Piot dives and misses the ball but this shot from Fleitas of Real Madrid went wide during the match in Belgium. Also pictured are Liege defenders Dewalque (left) and Thissen. (UPI)

BUENOS AIRES: Three Argentina players were released from prison here today after serving 30-day sentences for foul play during the World Club championship between Estudiantes de la Plata and AC Milan. Early this morning forward Eduardo Manera walked out of the front door of the Villa Devoto Prison and was whisked away in a private car. By the time goalkeeper Alberto Poletti and defender Ramon Aguirre Suarez were freed about noon a large crowd of spectators had gathered at the Prison entrance. The players slipped out through a back door and also left in private cars.

SINGAPORE: Two British Royal Air Force teams claimed a world record here today after a soccer match lasting 12 and a half hours. RAF Changi beat RAF Tengah 45/38 in the marathon which beat the previous known record of 11 hours. The teams, who played throughout the night, took five-minute breaks every 45 minutes. They consumed 45 gallons of tea and soft drinks, 500 salad rolls, ten pounds of tomatoes and ten pounds of fruit.

NOVEMBER 23

LOURENCO MARQUES: Australia and Rhodesia drew 1-1 in the first of their two matches to decide the winners of Group XV (A). Both goals were scored in the second half; Chalmers for Rhodesia and McColl for Australia.

RIO DE JANEIRO: Joao Saldanha, Brazilian soccer manager, has named the group of 22 players he plans to take to Mexico for the World Cup finals next year. Goalkeeper Felix, who played in the qualifying matches, and his substitute, Lula lose their places to Ado and Leao. The group, made up of two eleven-man selections, is:

(A) Ado (Corinthians), Carlos Alberto (Santos), Brito (Flamengo), Joel (Santos), Everaldo (Gremio of Porto Alegre), Wilson Piazza (Cruzeiro), Gerson (Sao Paulo), Jairzinho (Botafogo), Tostao (Cruzeiro), Pele, Edu (Santos).

(B) Leao (Palmeiras), Ze Maria (Portuguesa), Scala (Internacional of Porto Alegre), Baldoque (Palmeiras), Marco Antonio (Fluminense), Rogeria (Bogafoto), Toninho (Sao Paulo), Dirceu Lopes (Cruzeiro), Paulo Cesar (Botafogo).

Goalkeeper Claudio of Santos was also invited to help with team training.

NOVEMBER 24

BELO HORIZONTE: Pele was sent off in the 31st minute of a match here tonight. Pele collided with goalkeeper Careca of Atletico. Shortly before the game Pele had been crowned 'King' of Brazilian football at the biggest stadium in his home state. He was given a Crown of Gold Leaves encrusted with onyx and presented with a football made of soapstone.

NOVEMBER 26

CAGLIARI: Karl Zeiss Jena beat Cagliari 1-0 (1-0) in a Fairs Cup match here today. Stein was the scorer. Jena won 3-0 on aggregate.

BARCELONA: Barcelona beat Vasas Gyor 2-0 in a Fairs Cup match played here today after leading 1-0 at the interval. Pujol and Zaldua were the scorers. Attendance: 20,000. Barcelona won 5-2 on aggregate.

Sandro Mazzola of Italy scores his country's first goal against East Germany. (UPI)

ROTTERDAM: Feyenoord beat AC Milan, the holders, 2-0 in a European Cup match here today to win 2-1 on aggregate. They led 1-0 at the interval. Jansen and Van Hanegem were the scorers. Attendance: 66,000.

EINDHOVEN: PSV Eindhoven beat AS Roma 1-0 (0-0) after extra time in a Cup Winners match here today. Van der Kuylen (penalty) was the scorer. AS Roma qualify on the toss of a coin.

ST GALLEN: St Gallen and Spartak of Bulgaria drew 0-0 in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Spartak win 4-0 on aggregate.

ZAGREB: Dinamo Zagreb beat Olympic Marseilles 2-0 in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Half time score: 0-0. Scorers: Novak (2) was the scorer. Dinamo win 3-1 on aggregate.

ISTANBUL: Galatasaray beat Spartak Trnava 1-0 (0-0) after extra time in a European Cup match here today. Aggregate score 1-1. Galatasaray qualify on toss of coin. Ergun was the scorer.

WARSAW: Ruch Chorzow lost 1-2 (1-1) to Ajax Amsterdam in a Fairs Cup match here today. Piechniczek scored for Ruch; Muhren and Van Dijk for Ajax. Ajax win 9-1 on aggregate.

TURIN: Juventus drew 0-0 with Hertha Berlin in a Fairs Cup match here today. Hertha win 3-1 on aggregate.

FLORENCE: Fiorentina drew 0-0 with Dynamo Kiev in a European Cup match here today but qualified 2-1 on aggregate.

ST ETIENNE: St Etienne lost 0-1 (0-0) to Legia Warsaw in a European Cup match here today. Deyna was the scorer. Legia win 3-1 on aggregate.

BUDAPEST: Leeds United beat Ferencvaros 3-0 (1-0) in the second leg of their European Cup tie played here today. Jones

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YASHIN WORLD'S -THE BEST ?

by ANDREI STAROSTIN

THE legendary Lev Yashin is now 40 years old, the ceiling for a goalie still in action in big-time football. But he doesn't seem to be experiencing the bitterness of a player on his way out. Lev shows no sign of pessimism, but remains, as before, the world's best keeper.

The famous Zamorra, the unsurpassed Spanish net-minder of pre-war years, greeted his Russian colleague with a respectful bow and an embrace when they met for the first time in Barcelona. It is not surprising, therefore, that world footballers readily backed the idea of a farewell match for Yashin in Moscow between the USSR international and the Rest of the World. But so far Lev has given no indication of the date of that great occasion, and seems to be in no hurry to do so.

At the age of 12, Lev entered a Moscow factory to learn the trade of fitter, which was close to that of his father's a milling-machine operator. He worked at the factory for seven years and went in for sport whenever he had the chance. Gradually, football began to hold an increasing place in his life. At first he played for the shop team, then for the factory team, and, later, for Dynamo FC.

The lanky young man, who had not yet taken shape physically, attracted the attention of the head coach of the Dynamo senior team, Mikhail Yakushin. It took two years of hard work to transform the young recruit from an awkward novice into a player with excellent co-ordination, lightning reaction, the springiness of a cat, and incredible anticipation. Since 1954, Lev Yashin has held a regular netminding berth on one of the leading Soviet football outfits —Moscow Dynamo—and also on the USSR international.

There have been many other interests, besides football, in Yashin's life all these years. In 1967, he was elected to the Moscow city council. He is now finishing a school for coaches, and is a frequent guest of most diverse audiences, who find his talks on the latest developments in the world of football extremely interesting.

Zamorra's fame was based on his exceptional reaction and intuition in picking out the necessary spot in front of his goal. Another remarkable keeper, Planicka of Czechoslovakia, played not only within the confines of the goal area but lorded over the entire penalty area.

Yashin does not cede anything to his famous predecessors either in leaps to the upper corners of the net and dives to the lowest corners, or in picking the correct position. However, he noticeably surpasses Zamorra and Planicka in tactical innovation. He was precisely the chap who broadened the actions of a goalkeeper beyond the box. He became the type of keeper, who to a large degree carried out the functions of a full-back. He can be seen operating 30-35 metres away from the goal-line.

One must agree that a custodian playing with his head is an unusual sight. More than once I have witnessed such risky, if not to say, venturesome, tactics. But that is just the point—these operations are based on faultless calculation of the ball's flight and the course of development of an attack. Yashin's thinking in play is a natural gift. He has an incredible sense of space, movement and time. When a counter-attack starts, he flexibly retreats just as much as is necessary to present a rival from lobbing the ball over his head, and to intercept a pass beating his partners in defence.

In his appearance in the USSR international, Yashin has never once found himself in a helpless position, into which it is easy to fall for a goalie playing 30 metres away from his net.

At the time of the European Cup eliminator between the USSR and Hungary in Budapest in 1959, the Hungarians developed a counter-attack when Igor Netto and Anatoly Maslyonkin collided in midfield and allowed Tichy to get through to meet Yashin face to face. The crowd of 100,000 watched with bated breath Tichy's approach and the goalie follow each of the forward's movements carefully. Yashin feinted to force a hurried goal effort, and retreated a step or two in the hope of punching on Tichy fumbling in his dribbling. But the Hungarian dominated the ever-gripping scene, came up to about 7-8 metres from the net, and still lost out in this dramatic duel: his crack at the net was perfectly judged and smothered by Yashin.

In the following, semi-final round of this cup tournament, Bronik, the Czechoslovak forward, found himself in an identical position to Tichy, and once again, it was Yashin who emerged triumphant. Both of these episodes occurred with the score standing at 0-0. Twice Yashin's tactical skill did not allow the opponents to take the initiative, and, in the long run, this led to the USSR international's victory in the cup.

One of Italy's sharpshooters, Mazzola, poised himself for a shot from the penalty spot. Earlier in the game, Yashin had cleared a cannonball shot by Domenghini, stunning the Italian fans with his full-length dive. Mazzola fired away for the corner, but saw Yashin spring in that direction and punch the ball clear.

During a South American tour, the USSR international beat Argentina for the first time in that country's football history.

The stands broke out in stormy applause when Yashin diverted a goal effort by Argentina's top-scorer San Domingo from 6 metres out for a corner. The heading in an Argentine newspaper after the game tells the story most strikingly: "Meskhi — 3 Million Pesos; Metreveli—3 Million Pesos; Yashin—Priceless".

But there have been setbacks, too, which would have upset even the best of sportsmen. Lady Fortune smiled down on Chile, the host nation, in the World Cup quarter-final match with the USSR, when Lev Yashin—christened "Black Panther" by newsmen for his feline agility and the black outfit he wore, from cap to socks—let through two easy shots. The spectators couldn't believe their eyes; was this the man about whom the papers declared: "Whoever hasn't seen Yashin in action hasn't been at the World Cup".

Yashin arrived in Chile to the accompaniment of loud praise in the sports press, and left with the happy home supporters kindly sympathising with the toppled "king of the net".

This failure did not break Yashin's spirit: two months later he played on the Rest of Europe and Rest of the World teams, and his popularity continued to grow from game to game. He was rated Best Athlete of the Year and the editor of the magazine,

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HUNGARY ARE OUT

by Leslie Vernon

UJPESTI Dozsa are the Cup holders! Ujpesti Dozsa are the champions! Ujpesti Dozsa are the only team still 'alive' in an important European competition! This is the tragic picture of Hungarian football today.

Why tragic? Because it is unhealthy for one club to dominate a nation's soccer with such overwhelming superiority, especially when it is not on account of their own glittering brilliance, but rather due to the mediocrity of the others. The decline of Ferencvaros is a good example of this sad general trend.

"They not only can't play, but they do not want to play," said an English journalist sitting next to me referring to 'Fradi's' shamefully poor exhibition against Leeds. To lose 1-0 in a Fairs Cup Final on a disputed goal as they did only 14 months ago is one thing, but to be beaten on a 6-0 aggregate is another. The popular Green and Whites are celebrating their 70th anniversary this year. What a way to celebrate! I wonder what they were drinking? Poison ivy, most probably.

Admittedly, Ferencvaros lost their crack inside-forward trio (Varga, Albert, Rakosi) in the intervening period, but this is no excuse for sheer lack of effort, bad covering in defence and a huge inferiority complex. As a Hungarian paper wrote: "It was like watching two teams who are not in the same Division."

Relegation

'Fradi's' woeful form has also been evident in their domestic matches. They have given away goals and points to relegation candidates with the generosity of a Father Christmas who would not care less about the ultimate destinations of his gifts.

Some 'evil-minded' people think that this habit of losing against teams with an incentive is not pure coincidence. But there is very little evidence of actual cheating, so the matter rests, and the crowds stay away from these well-rehearsed farcical encounters.

It is certain now that Dr. Karoly Lakat is leaving Ferencvaros after years of very successful work. He has not only won the Championship with them two years running, but has also developed players like the current international half-backs, Juhasz, Pancsics and Szucs. There are several stories concerning his immediate future, and I shall repeat only two of them, both having been told to me in 'strictest confidence' within the earshot of dozens of people.

1. Lakat will take over the Polish national team, and Geza Kalocsai, the current Gornik boss, will return home to become the new boss of the Green and Whites. 2. Lakat will be the next Hungarian national team manager, replacing the reluctant Soos — either after the Marseilles match (if Hungary lose) or after Mexico.

The second version seems very likely because he would be eminently suitable for the job, and Soos does not really relish the pressures of being in such a responsible position.

During his years with Ferencvaros, Lakat always carried a chip on his shoulder, saying that the FA used his players too much for overlong training periods and foreign tours (true!), and that the authorities and referees favoured the other two 'big clubs' (Vasas, Dozsa) because of personal reasons (untrue!).

From the sad and bad, let us turn to the good and happy. Ujpesti Dozsa scored three great goals against Bruges (Fazekas 2, Bene) and are now in the last sixteen of the Fairs Cup. They beat Eger 2-0 and clinched the Championship for the first time since 1961. They are playing really well, and if Hungary reaches Mexico, it will be mainly due to the sterling efforts of Baroti's Dozsa players.

Linkman

Five of them were in the team against the Republic of Ireland. Gorocs as a linkman, and the four forwards: Bene, Dunai, Fazekas and Zambo. The other two Dozsa regulars were omitted. Kaposzta, due to a troublesome groin-strain, and Szentmihalyi, because of his 'nightmare' game at Bruges. Tamas took over in goal for the first time since his 'off day' in Moscow in a European Championship match, Kelemen kept his place at right-back, and Halmosi joined Gorocs and Szucs in the middle-line in a 3-3-4 formation.

The Irish were full of confidence (aren't they always?) but in the 30th minute, Halmosi scored with a terrific shot from twenty yards. The second-half was all Hungary—goals by Bene and the two substitutes, Puskas and Kocsis.

Yes, two familiar names, but alas they are not in the same class as the tubby 'galloping major' and the acrobatic 'Gypsy' were during the 50's.

The game was spoilt by some unnecessary petulance later on, and Dempsey and Szucs got their marching orders from ref. Jakse (Yugoslavia).

This stupid action by the Hungarian sweeper turned out to be a costly error. He was automatically suspended for one international, and could not go to Marseille to face Czechoslovakia in the play-off.

The badly injured Pancsics and Dunai were also missing from the line-up, which included Meszoly, Nosko and Farkas in their places.

I travelled to France to see this match and was sad to witness a humiliating 1-4 defeat by a no better than average Czech side. Team manager Soos decided on a 4-3-3 formation, playing for a draw, hoping that the superior goal difference achieved in the Group competition would see Hungary through. Marko outmanoeuvred his counterpart in every respect.

The date, the venue, the pitch, even the refereeing favoured the Czechs, who either tripped or obstructed the Hungarians at the slightest sign of danger.

While the French ref., Machin, was busy taking names, the rhythm of the already lopsided and understrength Magyar forward-line had completely gone, and the Czechs took command of the situation.

Victor in goal was faultless, the defensive line, ruthless, Kuna and Kvasnak calm and industrious at mid-field, and the forward-line fast and dangerous.

The Hungarians just stood back and admired the fancy footwork of outside-right Frantisek Veszely, who was allowed by left-back Ihasz to win the game almost single-handed. On this evidence, Czechoslovakia will be unpleasant opponents to any foe in Mexico, and Hungarian football has reached its lowest ever level.

Topscorers in the league after 29 matches: Bene (Dozsa) 27 goals. Puskas (Vasas) 25 goals. Farkas (Vasas) 21 goals. Kozma (Honved) 21 goals. Dunai (Dozsa) 16 goals.

Lajos Puskas scores for Vasas in one of this season's league matches in Hungary. (UPI)

(2) and Lorimer were the scorers. Leeds won 6-0 on aggregate.

BUDAPEST: Ujpest Dozsa beat Royal Bruges 3-0 (1-0) in a Fairs Cup match here today. Fazekas (2) and Bene were the scorers. Aggregate score 5-5. Ujpest qualify on away goals rule.

BELGRADE: Red Star beat Vorwaerts 3-2 (1-1) in a European Cup tie here today. Aggregate score: 4-4. Vorwaerts win on away goals rule. Acimovic and Karasi (2) scored for Red Star; Begerad (2) for Vorwaerts.

SOFIA: Slavia Sofia beat Kilmarnock 2-0 (2-0) in a Fairs Cup match here today but lost 4-3 on aggregate. Mahailov and Cook (own goal) were the scorers.

LISBON: Benfica beat Celtic 3-0 (2-0) in a European Cup match played here today but lost on the toss of a coin—the teams being level 3-3 on aggregate. Eusebio, Jaime Graca and Diamantino were the Benfica scorers.

SCHALKE: FC Schalke 04 beat Norrkoping 1-0 (1-0) in a European Cup Winners Cup match played here today. Scheer was the scorer. Schalke win 1-0 on aggregate.

ACADEMICA: Academica beat Magdeburg 2-0 (0-0) in a Cup Winners Cup match played here today. Alhinho and Campos were the scorers. Academica won 2-1 on aggregate.

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NAPLES: Napoli beat CfB Stuttgart 1-0 (0-0) in a Fairs Cup match played here today. Canzi was the scorer. Napoli won 1-0 on aggregate.

MILAN: Inter-Milan beat Hansa Rostock 3-0 (3-0) in a Fairs Cup match here today. Jair, Suarez and Mazzola were the scorers. Inter won 4-2 on aggregate.

CARDIFF: Cardiff City beat Goeztepe Izmir 1-0 (0-0) but lost 3-1 on aggregate in a Cup Winners Cup match played here today. Bird was the scorer.

MANCHESTER: Manchester City beat Lierse SK 5-0 (1-0) in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Manchester City won 8-0 on aggregate. Scorers: Summerbee, Bell (2) and Lee (2).

GLASGOW: Rangers lost 1-3 (1-0) to Gornik Zagreb in a Cup Winners Cup match here today. Baxter scored for Rangers; Olek, Skowzonek and Lubanski for Gornik, who won 6-2 on aggregate.

LONDON: Arsenal beat Sporting Lisbon 3-0 (2-0) in a Fairs Cup match here today. Radford and Graham (2) were the scorers. Arsenal won 3-0 on aggregate.

LIVERPOOL: Liverpool beat Vitoria Setubal 3-2 (0-1) in a Fairs Cup match played here today but lost on aggregate; Vitoria's away goals counting double. Smith (pen), Evans and Hunt scored for Liverpool; Wagner (pen) and Strong (own goal) for Vitoria.

NOVEMBER 27

LOURENCO MARQUES: Australia and Rhodesia drew 0-0 in the second of their World Cup qualifying round matches. The first leg ended 1-1.

MONTEVIDEO: Penarol beat Estudiantes 3-1 in the South American Super Cup championship here last night.

DECEMBER 2

FLORENCE: An Appeal Court today acquitted international footballer Mario Bertino of manslaughter because of insufficient evidence. The 25-year-old half-back was jailed for four months by the Florence Tribunal in October, 1967, after a car accident in which a pedestrian was killed. Bertini, who now plays for Inter-Milan, was playing for current league champions Fiorentina at the time.

ROTTERDAM: Feyenoord, who knocked World Club Champions AC Milan out of the European Cup, beat PSV Eindhoven 1-0 in a postponed Dutch First Division match here tonight. A crowd of 67,000 saw Swedish-born Ove Kindvall score the only goal in the first half.

DECEMBER 4

MARSEILLES: Czechoslovakia stormed into the World Cup finals here last night, crushing favoured Hungary 4-1 in their qualifying group play-off. Hungary, needing only a draw to qualify on superior goal difference, were pulverised by Czechoslovakia's three-goal second-half scoring burst.

Only 7,000 fans went to the Velodrome to watch the match, but they were rewarded with an exciting display of attacking power. Veteran Ferenc Bene almost gave Hungary the lead in the 15th minute with a fierce shot. But Czechoslovakia's attacking firepower was soon in evidence and winger Frantisek Vesely slammed a shot against the crossbar in the 31st minute.

Ermanno Cristin (left) centre-forward of Sampdoria in action during a league match between Sampdoria and Lazio at Rome's Olympic Stadium. On the right is Lazio's Piero Cucchi. Sampdoria lost 1-0. (UPI)

Czechoslovakia went ahead in the 43rd minute when Andres Kvasnak netted from the penalty spot after he had been brought down in the area. Vesely made it 2-0 in the 56th minute and Adamec added a third in the 70th minute with a free-kick. Jokl netted the fourth Czech goal before the demoralised Hungarians scored through Kocsis in the last minute.

MADRID: Real Madrid, six times European Cup champions, crashed out of the competition here tonight, beaten 4-2 on aggregate by Standard Liege of Belgium. Standard, 1-0 winners of the first leg, triumphed again tonight in the second leg of this second-round tie, winning 3-2 in front of 85,000 stunned Spanish fans. The injury-hit Real twice fought back from being a goal behind and seemed at one stage to be heading for victory. But a third Belgian goal ended the Spanish champions' hopes.

Real were shaken after only eight minutes when Louis Pilot, Standard's Luxembourg international left-half and captain, scored the opening goal. Pilot raced through the Real defence, shrugging off several tackles, before lofting a chip shot goalwards. Goalkeeper Junquera could only fumble the ball before deflecting it into the right-hand corner of the net. Manuel Velazquez equalised for Real after 20 minutes, scoring easily from a pass by outside-right Rafael de Diego after a shot from Francisco Gento had been only partially cleared.

This success revitalised Real, but they received another setback after 24 minutes when a quick Standard counter-attack ended with Depireux scoring the Belgians' second goal. Real equalised again three minutes after half-time when Amancio was fouled and Gento netted from the penalty spot.

Level again, Real attacked fiercely and seemed to have taken the lead in the 61st minute when Velazquez netted after several shots had been blocked. But the referee disallowed the goal for a Belgian foul seconds before the ball entered the net. Seven minutes later, Spanish gloom was complete when the Yugoslav Galic substituted for Kostedde and immediately scored Standard's third goal.

TEL AVIV: Israel beat Australia 1-0, after leading 1-0 at half-time, in the first leg of their Group 15 World Cup match at the Ramat Gan Stadium here today. Spiegel was the scorer; attendance 50,000.

STOCKHOLM: Swedish footballers will meet Federation officials here at the weekend to seek assurances that team members will receive a generous slice of the profits if Sweden do well in the World Cup Finals in Mexico next year. Many international players say the match bonuses they received last season were too low.

Both amateurs and professionals received 1,000 crowns (£80) each when Sweden beat Norway 5-0 in Oslo but only 800 crowns (£64) when they beat France 2-0 here in September to clinch a place in the finals. Star inside forward Leif Eriksson, one of three players who will put forward the national team's demands before Federation secretary Tore Brodd on Saturday, said today the team should be paid according to the importance of the match and its outcome. "This is a reasonable, democratic demand," he said. "If we reach the quarter-finals in Mexico, the Federation will make a lot of money."

DECEMBER 5

BUENOS AIRES: Brazilian club Santos are bottom of the South American Super Cup championship table after losing 3-1 to Estudiantes. Racing Club and Penarol share the lead with five points each.

MEXICO CITY: The giant Aztec Stadium on the outskirts of the capital, main site for next year's World Cup competition, will have its playing field ripped out and replaced next week. During an Executive meeting last night of the company which owns the stadium it was decided to replace the grass and rebuild the pitch which has been criticised by international soccer trainers as one of the worst in Latin America. The oval-shaped stadium with its overlapping roof can house 108,000 people and will be a group site as well as the venue for the semi-final and final between May 31 and June 21 next year.

DECEMBER 6

MEXICO CITY: Ambassadors from the 16 competing countries of next year's World Cup finals, soccer officials and leading Mexican political figures have been invited to watch the World Cup draw here on January 10. The 16 teams will be divided into four groups.

MEXICO CITY: Mexico will meet Yugoslavia here in January as part of their World Cup preparations. The Yugoslavs will face Mexico at the Aztec Stadium on January 1 and 4 on the last leg of their six-match Latin-American tour. Between January 8 and 15 the Mexican team will take part in a round-robin international tournament which will include Botafogo, Honved, Sparta and Guadalajara.

DECEMBER 7

LUXEMBOURG: Bulgaria today qualified for the World Cup finals with a 3-1 victory over Luxembourg after leading 2-0 at the interval. Philipp (pen) scored for Luxembourg; Dermedijev, Jakimov and Bonev for Bulgaria. Attendance: 5,000.

LAKAT RESIGNS

reports ROGER MACDONALD

FERENCVAROS have gone from bad to worse, with their coach Karoly Lakat taking the almost unprecedented step of resigning on the eve of his club's European Cup-tie with Leeds in Budapest.

Lakat's resignation came as the result of pressure from the club management, though even they, one would have thought, can scarcely have thought he would give up immediately. Lakat said of the second leg, which Leeds won 3-0: "Only a miracle can save Ferencvaros from another heavy defeat. The club has lost its big star Florian Albert, and for various reasons is going through a serious crisis. So the team is going into this game with courage, but no real hope of winning."

Even the main sports paper, *Nepsport*, offered as its headline *Leeds will give Ferencvaros the Coup de Grace.*

Albert, of course, was injured in a collision with the Danish goalkeeper, Knud Engedahl in that famous June international won 3-2 by Denmark. His knee swelled like a balloon, and many, including Albert himself, thought it was the end of his career. Even now, more than six months later, he has been limping around with his leg in plaster, hoping to avoid another complicated operation. To keep fit, he does swimming exercises, with cycling and cross-country on the next stage on his schedule of recovery.

Of the injury itself, Albert remains indignant. "It was a clear case of a foul, for the goalkeeper went for me instead of the ball. What hurts even more is that Engedahl never bothered to come and apologize. He had a second chance to do so in Budapest, when he came as a reserve in the Danish side last October. I believe a Danish sportswriter tried to arrange a meeting between us, but the Danish team put all sorts of difficulties in the way."

Albert still looks ahead to the World Cup. Wary of giving a winner, he made one positive prediction: "Brazil will be much harder to beat than they were in 1966, and England will find it at least as tough to defend the World Cup as the Brazilians found it last time."

In Brazil, an amended list for Mexico from Joao Saldanha, the much-travelled team manager never afraid to speak his mind. He has dropped five of the players Brazil used in the qualifying matches, which suggests that for all their success the Brazilians are aware that the biggest test is yet to come. The five out are Felix (Fluminese of Rio), and Lula (Corinthians of Sao Paulo), both goalkeepers; Rildo and Djalma Dias (both Santos), of the defence; and Paulo Borges (Corinthians), a forward.

The new players are Ado (Corinthians) and Leao (Palmeiras, Sao Paulo), goalkeepers; Baldochi (Palmeiras) and Marco Antonio (Fluminese), defenders; and Rogerio (Botafogo, Rio).

It can be seen at once that Brazil's biggest problem remains in goal, where already four different men have been tried in the past year and all rejected. It was not entirely for sentimental reasons that Gylmar appeared against England last summer—even as Santos's reserve, he was as good (or as indifferent) as any goalkeeper in Brazil. Much of the trouble has been caused by an injury to the Santos first-team goalkeeper, Claudio, from which he has not entirely recovered. But Saldanha has invited him to help with team training, so he may yet go to Mexico.

Derek Dougan, with Alan Ball, before the Disciplinary Committee meeting that suspended Dougan for eight weeks. (UPI)

BRIAN GLANVILLE

SOME weeks ago, Derek Dougan, found "guilty" of swearing at a linesman, and already the recipient of a suspended disqualification, was put out of the game for three months. Not long afterwards, in a match at Shepherd's Bush, Rodney Marsh kicked Watford's centre-half, Garvey, in the back, and merely had his name taken. There is a plain imbalance here which makes the players' dissatisfaction with things easily understandable; nor is the latest directive on what does, and does not, constitute obscene language, by the Football League, calculated to improve matters. If a man can be so severely punished for what, in effect, he merely says, and so lightly punished for what, so dangerously, he does, then where is logic?

It is hard to find a solution; to do much more than to say that an action which endangers the bodily wellbeing of an opponent is surely worse than one which merely offends the dignity of an official; and should therefore be more severely dealt with.

Yet this is not enough. As Mr. Denis Follows, the FA secretary, pointed out the day after the league's pronouncement, the rules quite categorically state that the use of foul language should lead automatically to expulsion. This is comprehensible enough; if a player is allowed to swear at a referee or linesman with impunity, that official's authority is diminished, and his control of the match with it.

Though I feel sorry for Dougan, it was probably quite right that he should be sent off that day, against Everton. Yet should his punishment, in the circumstances, have been so draconian, merely because he had "broken his parole"?

If he had kicked somebody, the answer might well be yes—but he didn't. Sending off should not—as it appears to have been, in Dougan's case—be seen in absolute terms. There are expulsions and expulsions, just as grievous bodily harm is a more serious charge in the courts than insulting behaviour—the category under which obscene language should presumably come.

What referees need, as Sir Stanley Rous emphasised to me in a recent conversation, is "character". More often than not, they haven't got it, and it was significant to me, having attended the recent meeting of European referees at Coverciano, near Florence, that the question was never raised.

Instead, we had one referee after another either justifying himself, or passing the buck. None, of course, admitted or lamented the fact that the quality of referees and refereeing is appallingly low just now, throughout Europe . . . and the world. One could sympathise and agree with them when they complained that players and matches were becoming increasingly difficult to control; but the plain, sad truth is that the majority of today's referees are unfitted to control important professional matches.

The little contingent of British referees prided themselves on the fact that they were frequently consulted by their European colleagues; yet I wonder why? Surely not on the basis of any recent achievement. British refereeing in the last World Cup was frequently abominable, incensing the Brazilians, who quite properly and justifiably felt themselves unprotected. Since then, it has scarcely improved.

One of the most outrageous discourses was surely that of M. Machin, the French referee, who, after thoroughly justifying his own action in the first leg of the disgraceful Milan-Estudiantes world club final, when he sent off no players because it might have made things worse for Milan in Buenos Aires, rebuked his South American equivalent for sending off only two, in the return game!

Istvan Zsolt, the Hungarian, who is scarcely the referee he was some years ago, complained that sending players off frequently made matters worse. Goodness me, where are we going? Would it be "better" to allow a player guilty of a disgraceful foul to stay on the field? Should Aguirre Suarez of Estudiantes have been so indulged after he had broken Nestor Combin's nose with a blow of the elbow which, Gianni Rivera told me at Coverciano, was more devastating than any he'd seen in a boxing ring? If so, then the sooner we give up the professional game entirely, the better.

TRANSFER

You think that we have inflation in British football . . . When the transfer lists briefly opened last November, in Italy, Cucreddu, a 20-year-old Sardinian inside-right who had played a great part in taking Brescia up last season, was sold to Juventus for 400 million lire; some £250,000! This, for a footballer who has so far attained merely the under-21 international side. Another inside-forward, Bigon of Foggia, certainly no star, was "priced" at 450 million lire.

One of the more intriguing choices in this season's Italian World Cup team has been that of Giorgio Puia, the Torino centre-half. Now 31 years old, born in the northern border province of Gorizia, Puia hadn't played for Italy since March, 1963, at inside-forward, till Valcareggi recalled him at the end of last season, to play centre-half in the 0-0 draw against Bulgaria—in Turin. Prematurely grey-haired, to emphasise his seniority, Puia is a gentle enough man off the field, but he can be a very robust one on it.

So can the vigorous new Lazio full-back, Giuseppe Wilson. Born in Darlington, the son of an English father and an Italian mother—like Paul Went of Charlton Athletic—he was signed by Lazio from the Internapoli club of Naples—like their 22-year-old centre-forward, Giorgio Chinaglia.

REFEREES REQUIRE MORE CHARACTER

Unlike Chinaglia, who was born in Italy at Carrara, Wilson went back to his mother's country as a child, whereas Chinaglia did play football here, but was allowed by our own clubs to slip back to Italy. Now both are helping Lazio to a surprisingly good season, the zenith of which so far has been their 5-1 crushing defeat of Fiorentina.

Their manager is . . . Juan Carlos Lorenzo, who was in charge of the notorious Argentinian World Cup team of 1966.

EXCESSES

Speaking of Argentinian football—and making a cautious sign against the evil eye—one can only hope that it has been purged by the recent, dreadful excesses of Estudiantes.

Again, one emphasises that what was seen and reported by those of us who went to Buenos Aires with Manchester United, last season, was in no way exaggerated. Those who stigmatised us at the time, whether or not they have subsequently toppled off their columns, should note that an edited televisional version of a match tells one even less about it than one which runs its full length.

Why is it, by the way, that there is so pitifully little voice-training for sports commentators? How disagreeable that one should so often have to put up with the strained, monotone yelling which is the dubious legacy of radio commentaries. This awful, stylised shouting should have no place at all in television, where the pictures ought in any case to do most of the work, yet it is forever assaulting one's ears in racing sequences, and far too often during football games.

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Of the making of (dreadful) books about football, there is no end. A flood of rubbish pours off the presses year by year; more, surely, than its publishers could ever hope to sell.

As if the level were not low enough, the authors and their ghosts now face the additional hazard of being obliged to "clear" their works with their own clubs. This has led to the castration of recent books by George Best and Ron Harris, in whose case Chelsea appear to have acted with what might at best be called exaggerated caution, at worst downright caprice.

Bob Wall's *Arsenal From The Heart* (Souvenir) will scarcely win praise for elegance, and much of it, when it deals with the mediocre Arsenal of recent years, is frankly tedious. But I can forgive it a great deal for its anecdotes, not least the one about Herbert Chapman and Joe Hulme.

Arsenal were playing at Bolton and Chapman had promised Hulme that, if he played well, he could have the weekend at home in the North. (Incidentally, though Hulme was transferred to Arsenal from Blackburn, he was not, as Mr. Wall suggests, a Blackburn man; he originally played for York.) Arsenal won 5-0, Hulme scored a couple of goals, and confidently reminded Chapman of his promise. Chapman coldly replied that after the goals he had *missed*, he'd be playing next Wednesday in the third team, and must return to London.

No wonder George Male, Arsenal's right-back of the 1930s and now a coach at Highbury, once speculated to me that a player of today might reply to Chapman's ways and whims, "Well, I'm not staying here for this". There's something to be said for an affluent society, a seller's market. . . .

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more resolute side. But Wales were just too inferior technically to cause much of a problem, and they simply could not cope with that force of nature called Luigi Riva, who scored a superb hat-trick.

In Naples, whose crowd are reckoned worth at least a goal start, Riva continued largely where he had left off, scoring one goal with a breathtaking header and making the others for Mazzola and Domenghini. Even without Rivera, injured in a league match, Italy were yards faster in speed and execution. The East Germans made elaborate preparations for the game as far as cuisine and accommodation were concerned: they just forgot to arrive early; and most of their players had a poor night's sleep before the game.

The East Germans were also tactically naive, because in attacking they regularly allowed Italy local numerical superiority, and the 3-0 half-time (and full-time) score came as no surprise. In fact only a sensational performance by goalkeeper Juergen Croy prevented an even bigger Italian victory. Croy made a string of fabulous saves, even stopping a penalty by Riva late in the second half.

This apart, Riva had a superb match, and has now scored 16 times in 14 internationals. He looks certain to be one of the great stars of the 1970 World Cup.

Altitude

Two other matches of interest—in Mexico City, Belgium had their first taste of high altitude in a friendly in the Aztec Stadium. Mexico won 1-0, scoring after only 90 seconds through Alberto Onofre, but once again the altitude had less of an effect than many feared and Belgium came back strongly in the second half.

In Zrenjanin Yugoslavia's Under-23 side retained the Under-23 European Challenge Cup, beating their latest challengers, Sweden, 2-0. Cvetovic scored in the first half and Krivokuca got a particularly fine second goal seven minutes from the end.

Finally, Rhodesia surprised everyone, not least themselves, by holding Australia to a 1-1 draw in the first of two World Cup matches staged in Mozambique. The game was played in front of 7,000 spectators who braved the torrential rain.

The conditions grew steadily worse in the second half, but it was then that Rhodesia took the lead. In the 63rd minute their captain, Bobby Chalmers, took possession of a loose ball just outside the penalty area and let fly with a shot that hit the top corner of the net. Tommy McCall equalised for Australia five minutes later, but Rhodesia's goalkeeper, Robin Jordan, made a series of fine saves to keep them out. Once he was beaten, but Topsy Robertson sprinted back and kicked the ball off the line.

Rhodesia sprang another surprise in drawing the second match as well, no score, forcing Australia into an unexpected play-off. Here at last Australia asserted their superiority, recalling inside-right Willie Rutherford to bolster the attack. Rutherford opened the scoring after only 12 minutes, and an own-goal by Tigre—trying to clear a Rutherford shot—made it 2-0. Further disaster followed for Rhodesia, goalkeeper Jordan going off after half an hour with blood streaming from a head wound. But Gilbert, the substitute goalkeeper, made some great saves, and Rhodesia scored in the 54th minute to get back in the match. But only three minutes later Rutherford raced through again to score his second and Australia's third—booking half a ticket to Mexico.

Israel's hopes of beating Australia were not exactly enhanced by their performance against Austria FC. Israel led 2-0 at half-time with goals from Barad and Feigenbaum, and were still two up with 20 minutes left. But Austria scored three goals in seven minutes, all from long range, to win the match.

WORLD SOCCER SCANNER

STELLAN DANIELSSON reports from Central America

THOUGH many people will swear to the contrary it is probably no exaggeration to suggest that the national team received most enthusiastically by its fellow countrymen for landing a World Cup final ticket is El Salvador. The smallest of the Central American republics, with only a little over three million inhabitants, El Salvador has succeeded in becoming the first ever World Cup finalist from the narrow strip of land between South America and Mexico.

The road to Mexico hasn't been an easy one for the Salvadoreñans, but a wholehearted team effort and a great amount of determination finally pulled them through.

Being placed in a fairly easy group 13 sub-group El Salvador did not have any serious trouble disposing of Surinam and Curazao. Real problems did not arrive until the time of the semi-final and final games against Honduras and Haiti. A third match decider on neutral ground going into extra time was necessary on both occasions before El Salvador could be called a winner and 1970 World Cup finalist. Honduras' elimination of Costa Rica and Haiti's disposal of Guatemala and the United States does in no way belittle the Salvadoreñan effort.

The man to take a substantial part of the honour of El Salvador's qualification is manager coach Gregorio Bundio. Bundio had coached just about every team in the Salvadoreñan first division when he was offered the job as national team selector. Argentine born Bundio first came to El Salvador as a player by way of Guatemala. In Argentina he played with Boca Juniors until a freelancing soccer entrepreneur invited him along with some other South Americans to try their luck in Guatemala. Gregorio "Goyo" Bundio has beside coaching big league teams also been very active in promotion of football among youth, something that will hopefully pay off for El Salvador in the future.

Defeatist

Señor Bundio being a realistic man is not afraid to admit that his team's qualification to the World Cup in no way puts El Salvador among the world's top sixteen teams. Not being a defeatist either he promises that his team will go to Mexico in order to win as many games as possible and play good football.

In El Salvador's ten WC qualification games coach Bundio used altogether 24 players. Below follows a list of the players used, the clubs they represent and the number of games each one played:

From "Aguila" Saturnino Osorio (2), Juan Martinez (9), Jan Barraza (4), Jorge Bucaro (4), Rene Mena (4), and Fausto Torres (1). From "Alianza" Roberto Rivas (10), Salvador Mariona (6), and Antonio Quintanilla (10). From "FAS" Mauricio Manzano (5), Elmer Acevedo (6), Mario Monge (7), Jorge Lievano (1), and Joel Estrada (4). From "Atletico Marte" Guillermo Castro (5), Julio Cesar Mejia (1), Sergio Mendez (1), Mauricio Gonzalez (1). From "Adler" Victor Azucar (4), and Flamenco Cabezas (10). From "Universidad" Mauricio Rodriguez (7), and Jorge Vasquez (8). From "Atlante" Walberto Fernandez (8). And from "Sonsonate" Jorge Suarez (3). Four more players were on the squad but were never called on to play.

Leading scorer in the qualification matches was Juan Martinez with seven notations. Behind Martinez followed Mauricio Rodriguez, Elmer Acevedo, Juan Barraza, Joel Estrada, and Victor Azucar with two tallies each. Onetime scorers were Mauricio Gonzalez and Antonio Quintanilla.

Having qualified for the World Cup finals, El Salvador will be a noticeable absentee from the fourth Concacaf Nations' Championships to be staked in San Jose, Costa Rica between November 23 and December 7. Participating national teams are Costa Rica (host), Guatemala (defending champion), Mexico, Jamaica, Curazao, and Trinidad-Tobago. Haiti also qualified but failed to register intention to compete before deadline.

Mr. Tore Jonsson, secretary general of the Swedish FA, made a one week trip to Mexico during November inspecting next year's World Cup sites. Here he is on location at the Toluca Stadium, to the left busy taking notes. In dark glasses and pointing is Mr. Hans Liljekvist, former Swedish middle-distance champion runner now residing in Mexico and serving as Mr. Jonsson's guide and interpreter. To the far right is Mr. Alfonso Faure, president of the Toluca first division club.

The Concacaf Nations' Cup is a biannual affair being contested between the countries of Central America and the Caribbean. The first edition of the cup was played in El Salvador in 1963 and winner that time was Costa Rica. Two years later in Guatemala Mexico took top honours. In 1967 the host nation was Honduras and the champion was Guatemala.

Favourites for this year's edition of the Concacaf Cup are Costa Rica, Guatemala and Mexico. While the other participants send their strongest teams Mexico's is made up entirely of players from the second division.

The next cup, to be held in 1971, will be staged in Trinidad.

Just a few weeks before the start of the Concacaf tournament the Costa Rican first division came to an end. One of the most exciting league finishes in memory with the championship not being decided until the last game. By defeating San Carlos 4-1, before a capacity crowd in the Sabana Stadium, Saprissa succeeded in bringing home its third consecutive league title in as many years. Other last round scores were Puntarenas 2, Herrediano 1; San Ramos 1, Barrio Mexico 1; Cartagines 1, Limon 1. Limon and San Carlos will play in the second division next season, but the promoted teams will not be known until later on this year.

One of Saprissa's outstanding players, national team member and last season's leading scorer, Eduardo Chavarria has gone north to find new happiness and new challenges with Torreon in the Mexican

league. Chavarria seems to have acclimatized himself rather fast in his new surroundings and has already scored on a couple of occasions for his new club.

In other Mexican news, as suggested in this column last month, America's coach Walter Ormeño finally had to go. His replacement is former Mexican FA technical advisor Alejandro Scopelli. Ormeño had no problem finding a new job, however, as he was hired by Laguna the day after his release by America. Also Leon has, during the past month, changed managers by firing Luis Grill and replacing him with legendary goalkeeper Antonio Carbajal.

BRAVE OPTIMISTS PREDICT WINNER

IN the October issue of WORLD SOCCER I referred to the current, the seventh Bundesliga championship, as promising to be the most exciting staged so far. The present campaign is in fact developing into such a close race for honours that, only the bravest optimists can now predict the ultimate winners. It would, however, be a major surprise if they came from outside of the leading trio of Cologne, Borussia München-Gladbach or defending champions Bayern Munich (writes ARTHUR ROTMIL).

The outstanding feature of the past month (November) has been the tremendous form of Cologne who won two important away games against Rot-Weiss Oberhausen by 2-0 and Bayern Munich 2-1. Sandwiched between these, was the sensational 8-0 triumph over Cup-finalists Schalke. The 40,000 crowd at the Müngersdorfer-stadion included West Germany's new chancellor Willy Brandt and national manager Helmut Schön. Cologne's forwards led by a superb Wolfgang Overath struck devastating form and carved up Schalke's usually reliable defence their goals coming from Rupp (2), Löhr (2), Thielen (2), Hornig and Overath.

Cologne—or to give them their German name of 1.FC Köln—were formed in February 1948, following the amalgamation of KBC (founded 1901) and Sülz (founded 1907). They became the first Bundesliga champions in 1963/64 and still have the best overall record of any team in this league. Their defence is built around World Cup Star Wolfgang Weber and was considerably strengthened at the start of the season by the acquisition of goalkeeper Manfred Manglitz, formerly with MSV Duisburg.

In midfield Overath is the schemer-in-chief, while the forwards Rühl, Rupp, Löhr and Hornig are all prolific scorers. But the main credit for their fine run this term must be given to manager Hans Merkle. Born in Karlsruhe on June 1, 1918, and a former centre-forward with Phönix Karlsruhe he has managed Schwaben Augsburg, VfR Mannheim, SSV Reutlingen, Kickers Offenbach and the Swiss club Young Boys of Berne before joining Cologne in July 1968.

Relinquish

Cologne may become the first club to win the Bundesliga title twice, but they have to reckon with Bayern who will not relinquish their crown quite so easily. The men from Munich boast the youngest team in the division (average age 24) and whilst Gerd Müller continues to score a goal per match, while Beckenbauer organises their defence as well as ever, the side which achieved the "double" last season will again have a major say when the honours are distributed at the close. Bayern are still the most popular outfit as they proved by attracting a full house of 72,000 at Stuttgart where they beat VfB 3-2. And this only a week after their first home defeat to Hertha Berlin by 1-2. Since then Bayern suffered another home-shock losing by the same score to Cologne.

The third contender, Borussia München-Gladbach, made club history by taking the lead on the first Saturday in November. For some years Borussia have belonged to the élite, yet never before did their promising and second youngest side (average age 25) in the league, manage to climb to the top even if it lasted only one week. A 1-1 draw with Hertha in Berlin plus two decisive home wins over Alemannia Aachen 5-1 and VfB Stuttgart 3-0 helped them to share the lead with Cologne who have a better goal difference. As from this season the Bundesliga has discarded the obsolete rule of goal average which encourages defensive football and as in World Cup qualifying games for example it is goal difference which counts. To illustrate this point: Under goal-average a team scoring 30 goals whilst conceding 15 is better placed than one scoring 60 but letting in 31.

Behind the favourites two other teams making the news are Hertha Berlin and Borussia Dortmund. The latter have shot to fourth place thanks to home successes over Werder Bremen 2-1 and 1860 Munich 3-1, plus an away win at Duisburg. Hertha, level on points with Dortmund continue to draw the biggest gates as another 85,000 turned out to watch their 1-1 draw with Mönchen-Gladbach. This was followed by a 1-1 against Eintracht at Frankfurt and proceeded their great 2-1 triumph on Bayern Munich's ground where they benefited from a surprising penalty miss by Gerd Müller—only his second failure from the spot, in 16 attempts. Only Bremen's Günter Bernard managed to parry a Müller-penalty before, and now Hertha's Austrian international 'keeper Gernot Fraydl saved in brilliant fashion.

At the other end of the table, and deep in trouble are 1860 Munich, the 1966 champions. Three successive defeats in November: 3-4 at Frankfurt, 0-1 to Kaiserslautern at home and 1-3 in Dortmund have left the "Lions" trailing by three points behind the rest. Even some superlative displays by goalkeeper Petar Radenkovic—incidentally the oldest player in the Bundesliga at 35—have failed to arrest the slump. Manager Fritz Langner has been sacked and now the club are looking for their fifth coach in four years! Before Langner, 1860 were managed by Merkel, Baumann and Sing. Another curiosity of the season is that the first 90 games produced only 11 away wins which were divided between the top eight teams.

Postscript to the World Cup qualifying win over Scotland: 88 per cent of all television sets were switched on that day in West Germany—an absolute record, which exceeded even the figures during that memorable World Cup final at Wembley three years ago. For national manager Helmut Schön the Mexico tournament has already begun. Now he faces the problems of preparation and difficulties over fixing some friendly test matches. Only two games have so far been arranged, namely against Spain at Madrid in February and in April probably versus Portugal. The object of the exercise is to familiarise the players with the Latin (!) style of play. Could it be that he fears the South Americans most?

SWISS FIELD NEW CAPS

by ARTHUR ROTMIL

FOLLOWING their elimination from the World Cup, the national side of Switzerland and Portugal went through the formality of fulfilling a last meaningless engagement and drew 1-1 at Berne on November 2 (writes ARTHUR ROTMIL).

As if trying to emphasise that in their present form they have little to offer at soccer's greatest show in Mexico next summer, both teams gave an uninspiring display of pedestrian football, which a more demanding audience than the 30,000 gathered in the Wankdorf stadium would have dismissed with howls of derision.

The Swiss can at least claim to have fielded a vastly experimental eleven with half the side boasting only three caps between them, plus a newly formed defence. But Portugal, third after all in the last World Cup, have really slithered downhill and although they too included a trio of débutants it was for them simply a question of not having anyone better. Such famous men as Coluna, Torres and Augusto—all past their best—had to be left out, but their successors Rolando, Guerreiro and Peres are obviously not ready for elevated international duties.

The great Eusebio, who only a week earlier had scored six goals for Benfica in a league match against Boavista, suffered from the general slow-stop-slow methods adopted by his team-mates and when he did score their only goal after 40 minutes it came from the only long pass delivered throughout 90 minutes.

The Swiss also seemed to follow this policy of non-exertion by walking or just trotting along but were lucky to survive on several occasions, including two shots against the woodwork by Eusebio and Guerreiro. The equaliser also materialised after a solitary deep forward pass executed by Perroud and hammered into the net by Künzli just two minutes from the end.

The result itself was hardly surprising since Switzerland's best overall performances have been achieved against the Portuguese. Having so far played 36 countries the Swiss boast their finest record v. Portugal as follows: P 10, W 6, D 2, L 2, Goals 19-15.

Switzerland: Prosperi (Lugano) Age 24/11 caps; Chapuisat (Lausanne) 21/3, Guyot (Servette) 21/1, Perroud (Servette) 28/11, Rammler (Basle) 25/10; Guggisberg (Young Boys) 22/1, Rüegg (Grasshoppers) 7/1 (Odermatt—Basle 27/27); Jeandupeux (Chaux-de-Fonds) 20/2, (Brenna—Lugano 25/4) Künzli (Zurich) 23/24, Vuilleumier (Lausanne) 25/14, Kuhn (Zurich) 26/29.

Portugal: Damas (Sporting) 22/5; Conceiçao (Setubal) 27/4, Humberto (Benfica) 19/4, Rodrigues (Academica) 26/4, Hilario (Sporting) 30/36; Tomé (Setubal) 24/1, Rolando (Porto) 25/5 (Gonçalves—Sporting 25/2), Simoes (Benfica) 25/35, Guerreiro (Setubal) 24/1, Eusebio (Benfica) 27/45, Peres (Sporting) 26/10 (Marinho—Sporting 26/1).

On the same day the Swiss Under-23 side visited their French counterparts at Besançon. Several players cried off at virtually the last moment, some claiming injury, others apparently disappointed at not having been included in the squad of 22 for the game with Portugal. Team manager Heinz Schneiter, a former long serving international, was in fact so incensed over this mass-absenteeism that he promptly resigned as a scratch-team lost the match 0-4. But the Swiss FA were not satisfied with the behaviour of these budding stars who felt it was beneath their dignity to play for a junior side and having examined the evidence punished the truants as follows: Hasler (Zürich), Messerli (Young Boys), Rutschmann (Winterthur) and Zappella (Lausanne) were suspended for three games each. Luisier (Sion) was banned for one match, while Wegmann (Servette) and Boffi (Lugano) were cautioned and fined £30. Most observers agreed with the verdict, especially at the time when efforts are being made to give the national side certain priorities which they rarely enjoyed in the past. It is of course quite inconceivable that players called up, to represent their country—even at this modest level—can turn their backs when it suits them and hope to get away with it.

But the clubs concerned were furious and protested strongly against what they called a "heavy-handed" and "undiplomatic" attitude of the FA, particularly as these sentences were described as final, immediate and irrevocable. But now, a sub-section of the FA which controls the National League have taken the surprising and highly unusual step of lifting the suspensions and allowed these players to take part in league games—a decision which the clubs eagerly accepted! As I write, the show-down between the SrV (FA) and the League department is only just approaching its dramatic climax.

This is the strangest championship ever fought out in this country and certainly since the League has comprised 14 teams. After ten rounds only four points separate the leader Lugano from 12th placed (!) Wettingen. A couple of wins and a relegation candidate can suddenly become a contender for the championship title! Only Bellinzona and St. Gallen last season's Cup finalists (the last named were the winners) are in trouble at the moment. But even Bellinzona without a win after eight games scored their first victory over top placed Lugano. Following them are four teams Servette, Zürich, Grasshoppers and Lausanne sharing second place but only one point in arrears.

For the first time in the history of Swiss football the Cup quarter-finals were played on a home and away basis, a system which naturally favoured the stronger First Division sides. The surprises were confined only to the first leg when Zürich had to be content with a 1-1 draw at home to Second Division Mendrisiostar, watched by only 2,700 fans. In a dramatic return tie Zürich managed to get through by 3-1, but only after extra time.

Second Division leaders Sion also promised much when beating Servette but failed away from home. There were no problems however for champions Basle who put out another B-club Xamax (for whom the famous German forward Brunnenmeier stars) and even more decisive was Lugano's triumph over Biel. In the semi-finals Zürich will meet Lugano while Basle oppose Servette, these ties also to be staged on a two-legged basis.

Leading goalscorer is another former German international Friedhelm Konietzka (Winterthur) with seven, followed by Heutschi (Servette), Pottier (Servette), Vuilleumier (Lausanne), Bättler (Lugano) and Künzli (Zürich) all on six.

European Review by ROGER MACDONALD

SHOCK RESULT FOR AC MILAN

SHOCK after shock in the European cups, as many of the big names fell in the midst of the battle. The biggest of all, European Champions AC Milan, found their single goal lead over Feyenoord too slim to hold. Yet it was an error by the Milan goalkeeper, Ginulfi, that sent his side on the downhill path. After seven minutes Jansen put in a curving shot which Ginulfi apparently expected to go wide. But the ball swerved close to the crossbar, hit the far post just below the bar and dropped into the net. Milan were forced back on the defensive, and in the last five minutes a fine cross from Moulijn was headed in by Van Hanegem to send the stadium into ecstacy.

While Leeds doubled their 3-0 lead over Ferencvaros with another conclusive victory against the dispirited Hungarian champions, Celtic were in dire trouble against Benfica in Lisbon, and lucky to survive. Benfica can still be a formidable team at home, and they scored two goals in the first half to change the pattern of the match. Eusebio got the first with a header, and almost at once Graca scored with a snooker shot that slid along the turf and popped in via the far post. Fallon should perhaps have stopped the shot, but he more than redeemed himself with a series of great saves. Celtic, one feels, would have been overwhelmed had Eusebio been able to turn out in the second half. But a knee injury (allegedly received in a recent league match, but I suspect his old trouble) began to trouble him, and Benfica brought on Vitor Martins for his first competitive first-team match. Celtic held out until the very last seconds of injury time, when Jorge and Graca both had shots charged down from a Simoes free kick, and Diamantino headed in with an extraordinary frog-like jump. There was no time even to get the ball out of the net.

JUBILANT

I thought Celtic would be the stronger team in extra time, but in the event they scarcely troubled the Benfica defence. Benfica kept up their ferocious pace, and four minutes from time Graca beat Fallon, only for McNeill to kick the ball off the line. With no further score, the toss took place in the referee's dressing-room, and the Lisbon radio commentator announced that Benfica had won. But what he thought were jubilant shouts by Benfica supporters were in fact the Celtic players, shouting and jumping about like children at a Christmas party.

Another toss was necessary in Istanbul, where Galatasaray surprisingly beat Spartak Trnava 1-0 to level the tie on a 1-1 aggregate. When extra time failed to produce a goal Galatasaray qualified on the toss—extraordinary good luck, for Spartak should really have won by several goals.

St Etienne had a dreadful match in the snow against Legia Warsaw, a game they were expected to win after being only 2-1 down. But the French were very nervous, and it was a bad defensive error which brought Legia's winner from Deyna following a pass by Zmijewski.

The away goals rule brought the elimination of another famous European Cup side, Red Star Belgrade, who beat Vorwaerts Berlin 3-2 after losing the first leg 2-1. Vorwaerts offered unexpectedly stubborn resistance, scored first through Begerad, and when 3-1 down immediately got a second goal through Begerad again.

All in all it was a dismal day for Italian clubs, for Fiorentina had to rely on a goalless home draw to keep their 2-1 advantage over Dynamo Kiev. Although Inter-Milan duly disposed of the bottom club in the East German league, Hansa Rostock, Cagliari and Juventus were both eliminated from the Fairs Cup by Rostock's compatriots. Juventus, 3-1 down from the first leg to Hertha Berlin, forced 14 corners without managing a goal. Cagliari were even beaten at home by Karl Zeiss Jena, although they had some excuse in the absence of Luigi Riva, hurt playing against East Germany in the World Cup qualifying match at Naples. Riva had his foot put in plaster for a torn anklemuscle, and while Cagliari were struggling he was at the dentist's, having three teeth out. The only goal was scored by Stein in the ninth minute, heading in a rebound from a corner. Cagliari had only one good

Ove Kindvall, Swedish star of Feyenoord, beats an AC Milan defender during their recent European Cup clash. (UPI).

chance, three minutes from time, but Blochwitz made an excellent save from Brugnera.

Among the most surprising results was undoubtedly Vitoria Setubal's elimination of Liverpool on the away goals rule. Liverpool were 3-0 down on aggregate, needing to score four goals to qualify, with 30 minutes left, and they did well to score even three of them.

The best recovery was made by Ujpest, 5-2 down from the first leg against Bruges: they won 3-0 to qualify on away goals. But the Belgians were under a grave handicap in the second half when their centre-forward Turesson was sent off by the West German referee Tschentscher for constant arguing. Tschentscher also allowed the first half to last 47 minutes because of stoppages, just long enough for Fazekas to open the scoring. He got another goal in the second period with Bene making up the scorers.

There was one other player sent off, Ajax's talented if indisciplined striker Johann Cruyff, against Ruch Chorzow. But as Ajax won 2-1, 9-1 on aggregate, their real loss will be Cruyff's enforced absence in the next round.

The finest goal was undoubtedly that scored by Lubanski for Gornik, who were 1-0 down to Glasgow Rangers (3-2 up on aggregate) when the second half started at Ibrox. But Gornik won the game 3-1, Lubanski getting their second goal with an incredible run around the entire Rangers defence. Many of the Scottish reporters said it was the greatest goal they had ever seen. Certainly it delighted Dr. Geza Kaloesai, Gornik's Hungarian coach, for whom it was the last match before he returned to Hungary. He said: "I couldn't have asked for a better farewell present."

ITALY

Cagliari, unbeaten but unimpressive, hold a clear lead in a month noted more for its violence than its skilled football. In Rome about 100 hooligans tried to manhandle the Sampdoria players as they left the Olympic stadium after a match with Roma.

They threw stones and rubbish, forcing the players back into the dresing-rooms while the police rushed in reinforcements. One policeman was hit on the head by a rock and taken to hospital. The mob set up small roadblocks on the entrances to the stadium, using materials from a nearby construction site. It took the police an hour to disperse the crowd, after making several arrests. The Sampdoria players and the referee, Mauro Vacchini, left the stadium under a heavy police escort, using a side entrance.

The cause of the trouble was Sampdoria's remarkable recovery in the match: they were three-nil down to Genoa at one stage, but eventually drew 3-3.

On the same Sunday there was even trouble in Genoa, whose Second Division club (Sampdoria play in the Serie A) lost 2-1 at home to Cesena to go firmly bottom of the division. When the game ended dozens of spectators jumped over the barricades and tried to break into the dressing-rooms, where police barricaded in the two teams and the referee, Guiseppe Possagno, using benches and other furniture. Every window in the club offices was broken and the riot police took several fans away for questioning.

Still on the same day, local fans shouting for the referee battered the metal grid outside the dressing-roms after Catania won 3-1 at Modena in another Division Two match. But here the referee was smuggled away quietly.

There was also, believe it or not, some football. For once Riva did not play well against Roma, missing two good chances, but Brazilian inside-right Olindo de Carvalho (Nene) scored a brilliant goal in the 37th minute. Inter-Milan, meanwhile, slipped back, dropping a point in a goalless draw with AC Milan that drew 85,000 to San Siro. Bari won 1-0 at Torino in spite of having a player sent off in the 53rd minute: Poletti missed a penalty for Torino right on half-time. Naples also got a penalty, making no mistake against Juventus; but each side had a player sent off. Cagliari's lead went down to three points when they were held to a 1-1 draw by Juventus, while Fiorentina easily beat Bari, 3-0. But Juventus promptly did Cagliari a good turn by beating Fiorentina 2-0 in Turin. There was no score at half-time, but Salvadore put Juventus ahead in the 48th minute and Anastasi added a second 17 minutes later.

In what was undoubtedly the roughest match of the day, Luis Del Sol of Juventus and Claudio Merlo of Fiorentina were both sent off for fighting. Inter moved into second place, beating Lazio 3-0 with goals from Mazzola (after four minutes), Bertini (penalty) and Boninsegna. Cagliari, meanwhile, only just escaped defeat—playing without the injured Riva they fell behind against Verona in the 21st minute when Domenghini put through his own goal, but Ricciotti Greatti saved the day with an 85th minute equaliser.

Palermo, still without a win, lost 1-0 to Bari. The scorer, Giovan Battista Pienti, was so beset by team mates bent on congratulating him that he had to limp off and be replaced by a substitute. It could only happen in Italy.

POLAND

No stopping Gornik, who regained their place at the top of the Polish League by beating Odra Opole 1-0. They did it without 32-year-old captain, Stanislaw Oslizlo, who had a knee injury.

Oslizlo also missed Gornik's away game with Stal Rzeszow, as did goalkeeper Hubert Kostka, who was suffering from a slight arm strain. Nevertheless Gornik won 4-2, getting three of their goals in 11 minutes of spectacular, flowing football. Inside-forward Erwin Wilczek hit a hat-trick and the fourth goal came from Banas.

PORTUGAL

Even with a game in hand, Benfica could not be happy with the five-point margin separating them from the leaders, Sporting Lisbon. Their form has been most erratic, ranging from a 5-0 win over Braga to a 1-0 defeat by Vitoria Setubal. While Sporting were winning 2-1 at Guimaraes, Benfica got five past the Braga goalkeeper, even without Eusebio. His replacement, Artur Jorge, got two of the goals and Torres two more.

Benfica took on the rising Vitoria without Eusebio, injured and Simoes, suspended, including Torres in spite of his loss of form and doubts about his fitness. They suffered a further injury when centre-half Humberto II was taken off in the 55th minute, and before Benfica reorganised their defence, outside-right Guerreiro scored what proved to be the winning goal.

Not that Sporting's form has been any more reliable. They were a goal down to Belenenses, scored by Cardoso in the first half, until the 66th minute, when Marinho beat Mourinho—Belenenses brilliant goalkeeper — with a scorching shot from Lorenco's pass. Then Dinis, Sporting's new recruit from Angola, got the winner just two minutes from time. But it was an omen of what was to come: 3-0 defeats by Arsenal in the Fairs Cup and by Academica in the League.

LEV YASHIN

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L'Equipe, presented him with a replica of the Golden Football.

Yashin is now twice the age of many of his present team mates. He does not have to be prodded along in workouts: he has learned well the truth that without hard work no talent will blossom. Lev has not selected any special method of training, but does the same things that others do—limbering up exercises, sprinting, cross-country running, etc. Only after this considerable physical load does he commence his goal-minding practice.

Usually, three balls are fired at him in short but compulsory intervals. He is irritated when two spheres fly at him simultaneously, because this distracts attention, threatens an injury, and, as Yashin claims, is senseless.

Common sense is what makes up the foundation of all his work-outs. It tells him when it is useless to try to fling himself in the path of a ball already beating him to the very top or very bottom corner. During practice, Yashin often blocks goal shots with his feet, but he constantly keeps his eyes on the ball.

Another vital component in Yashin's training is throwing the ball out baseball-style from the box to a fullback. The fans in Scotland were amazed when they first saw him throw the ball way out to midfield straight to the feet of centre-forward Eduard Streltsov to send him away on a swift goal rush. Lev is now teaching younger counterparts of his to copy this style.

Yashin works most diligently to keep himself in good form, but spends his strength sensibly in practice in front of goal. He looks 60 years old when he wearily walks off the pitch after a workout, but 20 when he comes out for an official game.

Lev is a very sociable chap. Although he knows only a few foreign words, with the help of gestures he gets on easily with Brazilian, British and other foreign players.

Estudiantes defender Madero and Boca full-back Melendez challenge for the ball. Madero definitely wants to retire at the end of the season.

ERIC WEIL

JUNIORS LOOK LIKE CHAMPIONS EVEN . . .

REPORTS FROM ARGENTINA AND SOUTH AMERICA

BOCA Juniors, with only one point lost in 12 National Championship games, are three points ahead and look like champions with five games to go. Even when playing badly, which they do in half their games at the moment, they show virtues needed by a team destined for title honours — a solid structure, physical strength and the will to fight.

Even on their off-days their defence, with such stalwarts as Marzolini and Peru's Melendez, doesn't let them down. Apart from these, Medina and Madurga in the middle and Novello and Rojas in front, have most to do with Boca's supremacy at the moment. What impresses most, however, is the constant positional switching between halves and forwards—even a back goes up at times—which opens opposing defences.

Four other big clubs have a chance of either the title or a second-place passport to the South American Championship—Independiente (second with their last six games won), River Plate (for whom only international forwards Onega and Mas occasionally shine), San Lorenzo and Huracan.

Little Quilmes, about whose strange tactics I wrote last month, continue to play the same way with only two forwards, but they didn't continue their early success and were lying sixth with their chance gone.

Once mighty Racing Club are the only one of the "Big Six" out of the honours fight. They are a shadow of the 1967 World Champions, have just gone through a four-game losing streak—unusual for them—and are completely bereft of attacking ideas since the 10-game suspension of their Brazilian forward, Machado da Silva, who was top scorer in the Metropolitan Championship played during the first part of the season. He will take no further part in the Championship and there are rumours that he may be transferred at the end of the year—because he is too expensive. Racing are also in financial difficulties.

San Lorenzo's seven-game winning streak was cut short with a draw versus low-scoring Velez Sarsfield, the current national champions, who have forgotten how to score goals (only eight in 12 games) while Willington continues his 15-match suspension and leading scorer, Wehbe, is recovering from an operation.

San Lorenzo, last year's Metropolitan champions, are back on the goal-standard with the same squad of players and former reserve forward, Ruben Ayala, hitting the headlines. Nevertheless, the team doesn't look as solid as before.

Meanwhile, for the second year running, the season's Metropolitan champions have lost form completely in the "National"—a real mystery this because the two tournaments are held only a month apart. Chacarita Juniors still show their old ball control, but only Neumann offers any threat to the opposing goal. Chacarita may miss their chance of playing for a place in next season's South American Cup against the National Championship runners-up, because they will finish out of the first five as required.

Santa Fe club, Union, who owed their players several months' back pay, totalling £11,000, terminated the contracts of 11 of their professionals who wouldn't turn up for training and are fulfilling their league engagements

with their team of semi-professionals who had been representing the club in their provincial league. Results are no better or worse than before, but it's quite a saving for the club which is on the verge of bankruptcy. The professionals were getting between £180 to £220 per month plus bonuses, while the semi-professionals are doing the same job for £24 per month and £9 per point.

To get professional clubs out of their present plight (mentioned last month), Boca Juniors' president, Alberto Armando, has come up with a scheme for raising over £600,000 by selling blocks of match tickets for different games in advance, tied up with an incentive lottery scheme—a similar idea to the one by which funds are being raised to build Boca's sports centre on land reclaimed from the River Plate. The F.A. hasn't discussed it yet. If the government-owned TV channel paid its debt for the numerous games it televises, the clubs wouldn't be in such a bad way of course.

South American and former world champions, Estudiantes de La Plata, only have nine points from 12 games and six of these were obtained in a three-game winning streak when their 3rd XI stood in for the professionals. Now Estudiantes, minus their jailed and suspended players, Poletti (goal), Aguirre Suarez and Manera (defence), and still lining up several third team players, are showing better form. The 2-2 draw with Racing was promising and for once these two rivals played a clean game.

Suspensions

But coach, Osvaldo Zubeldia, is already on the look-out for players to strengthen his side for next season. In fact assistant-coach, Juan Urriolabeitia, has taken over until the end of the year, while Zubeldia concentrates on scouting. Another defender, Madero, who is a doctor, has definitely decided to retire at the end of the season.

The general clean-up of Argentine soccer, following the Estudiantes-Milan game, continued with the Disciplinary Committee announcing stiffer penalties such as higher fines (a £50 minimum for First Division players), longer suspensions and field closures when spectators cause trouble, the ordering home of teams causing trouble abroad.

The Argentine F.A. has launched a nationwide junior tournament for players between the ages of 12 and 14 for which 502 teams have entered. Coca Cola will pay fares of teams to the final stage to be held in January, provide provincial teams with playing kit and pay the winners a trip abroad.

The F.A. has also approved the constitution of an international committee which will be in charge of engaging a national coach and his helpers, approve training schedules, arrange matches, fix payments to national team players and all other points to do with international football. The committee will also lay down the rules by which selected players will have to abide—one being that they will not be allowed to decline selection or withdraw from the national team (which has been done by a number of players lately).

This may not be a new idea, but it's new for this country. Yet a month later the committee had not been formed and nothing has been done here international-wise since Argentina was eliminated from the World Cup.

SOUTH AMERICANS prepare in Colombia — Peñarol brings back veterans — Inter-Continental Cup changes — Goalkeeping record in Paraguay — Scoring record in Ecuador — Pele goals controversy.

Peru spared no effort or money in preparing their team for the World Cup qualifying games in August. For the first time the players lived together in a training camp for almost a year beforehand with the FA paying their wages while they were not allowed to play for their respective clubs. Higher bonuses were paid to the players for international victories than ever before, but now that they have qualified for the World Cup's final stages for the first time, the FA seems to be tightening its belt.

Although agreeing at first, the FA then refused to send national team coach, Waldir Pereira "Didi", to Europe to watch possible World Cup rivals in action, playing their last qualifying games. In announcing the decision, FA president, Gustavo Escudero, said: "We cannot afford it. There are seven months to go to the World Cup and it's no use watching teams now which may radically change until they play in Mexico".

Line-ups may change, but hardly tactics. Didi retorted that "Peru was losing valuable ground in limiting its projects to putting up a good show in Mexico", and got quite annoyed when Escudero accused him of trying to take a touring holiday at the FA's expense. Didi wanted to visit England, West Germany, France, Spain, Denmark and various East European countries, as well as organising Peru's pre-World Cup tour of Europe.

Two weeks later the Peruvian FA also cancelled plans for this tour as well as their participation in an international tournment in Mexico. Instead they hope to play a series of international games at home during January and February. Yugoslavia, Ghana, France and Hungary were mentioned as possible rivals.

Quite in contrast is the FA's promise of almost £10,000 to Didi if Peru is placed in the first eight in Mexico.

Still in Peru, two members of the World Cup squad were severely sanctioned for causing trouble in league games. Frequent troublemaker, Pedro León was suspended for a month and fined 50 dollars and is also in danger of being expelled from the national team, while Victor Zegarra was suspended for a month and fined 25 dollars.

Meanwhile, midfield man Roberto Challe, one of the highest-paid players in Peru and a keyman in the national team, was suspended indefinitely by his club, Universitario, for his absenteeism from training sessions, lack of enthusiasm and poor performances. Reports of poor discipline of World Cup men are being received from several Peruvian clubs.

COLOMBIA is inviting South America's World Cup qualifiers, Brazil, Peru and Uruguay to play in a small tournament with them in Bogotá during April. Brazil and Uruguay are expected to accept as they were planning to spend some time there before going to Mexico in any case to get used to the altitude.

ECUADOR also wants to play a pre-cup tournament at Quito which is 2,800 metres above sea-level.

In URUGUAY, Peñarol continues to do badly—meaning that they are second in the league to their eternal rivals, Nacional. Their Brazilian coach, Osvaldo Brandao, who has met with success at most clubs he has been to, made a number of team changes soon after taking over to lower the team's average age. Some of the older players apparently didn't like it and Brandao hasn't had an easy time to get along with them—which may explain poor performances. At press-time, such veterans as Nestor Goncalvez, Alberto Spencer and Juan Joya were being brought back.

Veterans Walter Gomez, Vernazza, Sivori and Baez (left to right) who played in the benefit for the first-mentioned, losing 6-2 to Racing's veterans.

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Brazil National Team	0	2	9	11	4	0	8	7	2	9	5	0	4	7	68
Brazilian Champ'ship	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Sao Paulo (regional) Champ'ship	0	36	53	46	32	47	37	22	34	49	12	15	17	26	126
Brazilian Army	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
S. American & World Cups	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	7	0	9	0	0	0	0	25
Brazilian Cup	0	0	0	2	0	7	4	6	7	2	2	0	0	0	30
Gomes Pedrosa and Taca de Prata Tournam'ts	0	4	8	6	0	9	0	14	3	5	0	9	12	12	82
I'national Club Friendlies	0	1	13	46	31	35	33	19	16	16	19	24	1	15	269
Brazilian Club Friendlies	2	22	0	0	0	9	6	7	0	17	2	5	5	4	79
	2	65	83	125	74	107	97	82	62	107	40	53	39	64	1000

PELE—

PELE, the world's most perfect footballer and the greatest goalscoring machine still on active duty, became only the third player in history to score 1,000 goals, in first class soccer. The great Hungarian Ferenc Puskas and the Austrian pre-war ace Franz Binder achieved this incredible total before him, but what makes Pelé unique is his staggering average of 77 goals per year, which is more than most *teams* can hope to score in that time. No player in the world has ever reached such amazing ratio, though it must be remembered that he performs in roughly 100 matches every year. His most prolific term was 1959 when he hit 125 goals. Clearly, with the advent of defensive football we may never see another goalgetter like him.

Franz "Bimbo" Binder, the star of Rapid Vienna scored between 1930 and 1948 a total of scrupulously counted 1,006 goals in 756 games. In addition, he also hit 50 goals for the national side and in representative matches. Perhaps his finest effort was the hat-trick which helped Rapid to win the all-German championship final in Berlin's Olympic stadium in 1941 by 4-3 against Schalke—after his team were 0-3 down.

Puskas has certainly scored well over a 1,000 goals for Kispet, Honved and Real Madrid plus the national teams of Hungary and Spain, though he admits that he never actually counted them—but the statisticians have! During his recent visit to Vienna he said: "To me only the important goals count. Those that matter are often not scored at all. The most important goal of my life would have been the winner in the 1954 World Cup final—but I didn't get it and the Germans won".

Impoverished

Now, what more can one say about this genius called Pelé that hasn't already been said before? He was born Edson Arantes do Nascimento, on October 21, 1940 in the village of Tres Coraçoes (Three hearts) near Bauru in Brazil, the son of an impoverished footballer. The man who now earns £1,300 a month from soccer alone, first shot to world fame when he helped his country to win the 1958 World Cup and by the time he was 22 years old he had already scored 500 goals.

This milestone occurred in his 420th game against Noroeste of Bauru—for whose youth team incidentally he once, as a 13-year-old, hit nine goals in an 11-0 victory. Some of his displays had an aura of almost the super-natural as described by Brian James of the *Daily Mail* in October 1962, when Pelé demoralised Sheffield Wednesday in the 4-2 win by Santos.

1,000 GOALS

I also remember talking to Germany's goalkeeper Wolfgang Fahrian after an international when Brazil won 2-1 at Hamburg in 1965. He said: "I was never more determined before any game or since. For an hour Willi Schulz shackled Pelé but for a fraction of a second his concentration lapsed and Pelé hit a goal from 20 yards. I didn't even see the ball leave his foot."

Many times he was asked which had been the greatest goal he ever scored—to which he invariably replies with a sly grin: "My next one!" But one certainly stands out among the 1,000 goals: During the Rio-Sao Paulo tournament of 1961, Fluminense were swarming over Santos when Pelé won a tackle in his own penalty area and embarked on a sensational slalom beating nine (!) men to arrive alone before the 'keeper. Castilho dived on the ball—or so he thought—but Pelé had already planted it in the net. The crowd went mad and even the opposing players rushed up to congratulate him.

There were similar celebrations when in the 76th minute of the game between Santos and Vasco da Gama (2-1) in Rio, he was fouled in the area and although Rildo was supposed to take the penalty the crowd howled for Pelé who duly hit the net for his 1,000th goal. Players of both sides carried him shoulder high in triumph and after a lap of honour wearing a jersey with number 1,000 on its back, he disappeared in the dressing room with Jair Barra substituting.

On the terraces giant banners were unfolded and illuminated by searchlights. The whole of Brazil exploded with joy as people in the streets carried transistor radios to follow the match commentary and when Pelé scored they screamed "Gooool!" Afterwards he unveiled a commemorative plaque inserted in the wall of the stadium and reading: "1,000 by Pelé—19 November, 1969".

At this moment he could no longer contain emotion and said with tears in his eyes: "As I scored that goal I thought of all the poor children on earth, of those who have nothing, of the blind and deaf whom I want to help during Christmas." Before the game he hoisted the Brazilian flag while a band played the national anthem in his honour. He received a football made of gold and weighing over four pounds and a gold plaque. It is also thought that FIFA will present him with a diploma. The Brazilian Post Office have produced a special two-million issue of a stamp showing Pelé in the act of scoring.

Pelé's hobbies are fishing, hunting and playing the guitar to which he composes his own lyrics. If he is as good at these, as he is at football then I pity the fish, feel sorry for the wild life but I do envy his music-loving listeners!

COVETED

WE are rapidly approaching the time of the greatest soccer festival on earth—the finals of the ninth World Cup competition in which the 16 countries fortunate to qualify will battle for the coveted Jules Rimet trophy in Mexico next summer.

For all football fans on this side of the Atlantic one of the most intriguing questions must surely be this: What are the chances of a European nation winning the World Cup for the first time on Latin American soil? In three tournaments only the South Americans succeeded on their own grounds. Uruguay won in 1930 by defeating Argentina 4-2 and again Uruguay triumphed in 1950 when a 2-1 victory over Brazil gave them top place in the final pool. Only in 1962 did a team from Europe—Czechoslovakia—finish runners-up, having eliminated European rivals Hungary and Yugoslavia on the way to the final, which they lost 3-1 to Brazil.

In next year's series in Mexico, however, the Europeans will be handicapped more

By

ARTHUR ROTMIL

than ever before and it is doubtful whether any form-guide can be helpful when assessing their chances. For there are many factors which point against success for teams from the Old World but towards a winner from South America. These can be summarised as follows:

1. Altitude: The games in the preliminary groups will be staged at heights varying from 3,608 ft. at Peubla to 7,475 ft. in Mexico City. But that is precisely where the ultimate finalists will have to fight in conditions they don't normally experience. There were many conflicting views and opinions expressed by various commentators during last year's Olympics in Mexico City. It is true that runners from high elevations like Kenya and Ethiopia (Keino, Temu, Wolde and Biwott) collected four gold medals in middle distance and longer races, but then how does one account for the fact that the 50 kilometre walk (31 miles) was won by an East German with a Hungarian second, or that in the most gruelling test of them all, the 42 kilometre (26 miles) marathon a Japansese finished second and a New Zealander third?

Now opinion seems to be divided as to the length of acclimatisation necessary. The English appear to favour at least a full month, but the Germans claim that this is too long, while the Italians are still undecided. From the experience of those who played football in Mexico—over a longer period than just a couple of games—it can be stated with certainty that altitude does not affect each individual in exactly the same way, though one thing is obvious: The teams who rely on non-stop running and maximum physical effort will suffer most. A point therefore in favour of the Uruguayans and Brazilians who are used to playing pedestrian style soccer.

2. Climate: The month of June is likely to be much hotter in Mexico than it is usually in Europe, especially in its northern half. The Italians will clearly be happier than the English, Swedes or Germans and Russians but even more at home should be the South Americans.

3. Food and drink: Most of the teams will bring their own chefs with them, but this has not always proved a satisfactory solution especially during a sustained period of several weeks. Whatever they dish up it will be a far cry from "Tortellini in brodo", "Kasseler Rippchen mit Sauerkraut" or "roast beef and Yorkshire pudding"! Not even plain water will be drinkable without the use of special tablets and I sympathise already with all those upset "tummies".

Interpretation

4. Refereeing: There has already been too much discussion about the so-called "different interpretation of rules". Let us get one thing straight: The rules are the same the world over. After years of watching international football I have yet to see a referee who would operate rules different from those as laid down by FIFA. The only problems arise through excessive physical contact, allowed in some countries by inefficient and lenient officials in domestic soccer. *They* encourage rough play and then the players are surprised when they are penalised at international level. But it is up to the authorities concerned to exclude these muscle-men from national sides for I fear that in Mexico only a handful of officials will tolerate such indiscriminate tackling (especially from behind) as is currently practised in some European countries. Let's remind everybody that soccer is primarily a ball game and should therefore be a test of skill and not an exercise in brute force.

5. Preparation: European countries with lengthy league programmes like England, West Germany or even Italy cannot afford to send their stars into training camps for long periods like the Brazilians, Peruvians or Uruguayans. Add the commitments in European club tournaments or domestic cup competitions and you might get a picture of several performers feeling rather jaded and satiated by June.

But on all these counts we must respect the claims of the host nation Mexico. They may not have the class of the Brazilians or Uruguayans nor the total physical engagement of the English, Germans or Russians but on their own ground, at their altitude and with their preparations, Mexico must be rated a formidable obstacle for anybody.

TWO SIDES OF THE COIN

Speaking Personally

by LESLIE VERNON

"WHAT did I tell you? The Argentinians *are* animals, Sir Alf was right! You keep on defending them, but look at the scandalous way they behaved once again."

These were the words (approximately) of a very knowledgeable football-writer friend of mine, following the, by now, traditional yearly international outcry concerning the so-called World Club Championship matches.

I had to agree with him that the Estudiantes players behaved idiotically, but my friend, like many others, must have misunderstood my intentions when dealing with this 'Argentinian question' in the past.

I have never liked the Argentinian approach to football. Their entire conception of the game seems to have gone out of focus. On the pitch they rely too much on defence, wasting all their natural attacking talents, off the field they are like silly, spoilt children. Winning is the only thing that matters to them and they use unscrupulous, ruthless methods to attain their objectives.

Publicity

This is the sad truth which I have never denied. But there is another side to the coin! I have always objected and still object to the pre-match publicity campaigns heralding visiting teams or future opponents.

When Estudiantes were to play Manchester United in Buenos Aires, the British Press was full of 'scare' stories. After the first game, several of the reporters, including my above mentioned illustrious friend, burst into purple prose to describe the atrocities committed by the home team.

According to neutral observers, these accusations were grossly exaggerated. What happens a year later does not alter this controversial picture. A person found guilty of a crime in 1969 is not necessarily guilty of a similar offence of which he was accused in the past. These hate-campaigns before the actual matches are unworthy of sports journalists and are not confined to this country.

The Italian Press incited the fans to such an extent before the A.C. Milan v. Estudiantes game, that when the Argentinians took the field, they were bombarded with rotten apples, bricks and coins, not to mention verbal abuse. How would any one of us react if we walked into a friend's house and was greeted with a spit in the eye plus a kick up the backside? The Argentinians responded with a disgustingly dirty display of football, and the 'Champions of Europe' mixed it very skilfully as well.

The witty, likeable Brazilian team manager, Joao Saldanha so rightly said: "I would have sent-off all twenty-two of them after five minutes play." All 22, you notice, not just the eleven animals!

Here I go again 'defending' the Argentinians. But I do feel deeply that "it takes two to tango", they cannot be all black and the rest of us all white! All right, they are stupid, vicious, undisciplined, but perhaps we are all guilty—just a little.

Favourite

Nobby Stiles is not one of my favourite players, on the contrary, but when I read about him in the foreign Press I find myself on his side. He is definitely not "an evil dwarf" or "an assassin" as they often call him.

The point is that all this 'anti'-type pre-match crowd-conditioning has to stop, whether it concerns a national team, a club side or just a player.

Let us write about **football** for goodness' sake and let the supporters and the referees make up their own minds on the evidence of what they actually see!

The pious FIFA hierarchy have of course their own solution to the problem. They propose a World Club Championship involving all six Continents —so in future, the South Americans would have to beat, for instance, the kingpins of Senegal, before they meet the Europeans. I cannot see what difference that would make as far as playing ethics are concerned.

If it was up to me, I would scrap this annual nuisance, the international calendar is overcrowded as it is. I would also forbid any nation to stage a consolation tournament for World Cup non-qualifiers. This idea was first thought of in France (naturally) and now the Greeks are keen to get into the act.

This meaningless competition would be held at the same time as the Mexico Finals and would not enhance the importance of 'the real thing'. Countries like Greece, France, East Germany, Scotland, etc., have had their chances and they were beaten, so they should wait patiently for the next opportunity instead of trying to steal some of the limelight.

In any case, there will be a draw for the next European Championship on March 20, 1970, and this really worthwhile competition will start just after the World Cup. There will also be a similar tournament for Under-23 teams, which will be run concurrently with the senior version—an admirable arrangement.

The back pages of my daily papers were wet with crocodile tears recently, shed by colleagues who were sorry for players serving long suspensions. Why the sudden turn about? Isn't this what we have all wanted to see for years? At last the Disciplinary Committee have woken up and have dished out a few stiff sentences. Bravo!

Perhaps the players will think twice before they do or say anything stupid in the future. Of course it was unfortunate for the first few players that they had to be the scapegoats, but the 'iron fist' policy had to be put into practice sometime.

Incidentally, before we are all carried away with this misplaced sympathy, it should be realised that lengthy suspensions have been the norm rather than the exception in several Continental countries. In West Germany, for example, Gerd Muller and Hottges, both internationals, served two months' suspensions each last season, and in Italy, six weeks plus a heavy fine is quite commonplace.

I do like the idea of refs. going into the dressing-rooms before the match, telling the players what is permissible and what is not. After all, football is becoming (unfortunately) more and more like pro-boxing, so it is in keeping to tell the boys to shake hands and come out fighting . . . (These three dots stand for 'industrial language!')

Due to illness CHRIS WEST, our Italian correspondent, has been unable to pen his usual Newsletter. It is hoped that Chris will be fit to resume his column next month. Meanwhile, news from Italy is included in our European Review on pages 22 and 23.

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FICKLE FANS WANT BLOOD

by Colin McAlpin

EWAN FENTON, manager of reigning Irish League Champions, Linfield, went through an uncomfortable November as his Windsor Park team hit a bad patch that had the fickle fans yelling for blood. As cross-city rivals Glentoran built up their reputation for fast, open football and moved into a strong, challenging position among the league leaders, the Blues struggled to find the sort of consistency that usually follows them around the fixture card.

And yet, for all that they were not playing as well as they could Linfield were far from finished—as the 3-0 defeats of Distillery (who had beaten them previously at Windsor Park within a matter of four days in the league and a postponed Ulster Cup game) clearly showed.

Linfield supporters are a strange mixture of ardent followers and severe critics. In a way it's a love-hate relationship they have with the great Belfast club. It's also a complex situation, which Fenton knows only too well, in that the fans will simply not allow the team to suffer setbacks, however temporary.

It has not, to be sure, been a good season for Linfield and many fans, who know no better, demanded that Fenton be removed from his post. A suggestion which, quite rightly, met with a frosty silence from the club officials—quite rightly because Fenton, a canny, quiet-spoken Scot, is one of the most successful managers in the Irish League.

Ewan Fenton.

Domestic

Linfield's reord since he joined them from League of Ireland Limerick has been quite fantastic. Fenton and Linfield have won every major domestic trophy except the Irish Cup—and they reached one final—and several trophies twice over. Sammy Hatton, the club skipper and centre-half, was Ulster Footballer of the Year two seasons ago and the juniors carried off the Youth Cup. If any other manager had brought half as much success he would have been handed the job for life.

The Linfield slump was simply a matter of pressure. Having been at the top for so long it was perfectly understandable that a reaction should set in. The team, with some of the most talented of Irish League players, hit the skids but managed, after a couple of below-par games, to pull themselves round.

Now, as we move into a new year, the Championship will really sort itself out and no matter how badly they started the campaign you can be fairly certain that Linfield will be in with the leaders jockeying for the title again.

The recent troubles in the Province upset the Ulster Cup programme and produced the strange situation of Glentoran winning the season's second trophy—the re-vamped City Cup—with the opening one—the Ulster Cup—still to be decided. It does, however, look very much like a Coleraine win here, if and when they manage to get the necessary points.

Played on a two-section basis with the section winners meeting to decide who takes the City Cup home, the tournament brought the Oval side and Bangor, the shock side of the season, together. Glentoran swamped Charlie Tully's boys 7-1 in the final and many thought it was the end of the road for Bangor, who had been handing out devastating thumpings to all-comers since the term got under way. It wasn't the end, for Bangor promptly turned out the next weekend and started all over again to sort out the opposition—which must have been frustrating for Tully and the fans. If only Bangor, who have never won a major trophy in their long history, hadn't allowed the occasion to overawe them. . . .

Up at the Ballymena Showgrounds player-manager Alex Parker, the former Everton and Scotland star, is living through hell as his side, which started the season with such confidence, comes apart at the edges. Players leaving, being dropped and wanting away, plus a frightening slump in performances have left Parker with a hangover.

United, once one of the top country clubs, have been struggling for the past couple of seasons. They began the present campaign on a promising note, recorded several sound wins and then, for no accountable reason, fell away. In United, the fans, much like those at Windsor, are a fickle lot who, with one win under their belts, reckon they have the best side in Ireland and one defeat the poorest.

Indicated

Parker is having a more than difficult time. As I write two players have been placed on the list—one of them Jim Herron who went to mid-Antrim with such a reputation for goals that he was considered the man most likely to lift the dark clouds—two are very much in the transfer news with English and Scottish clubs seeking their services and two have indicated that they will find it increasingly hard to get off work on Saturdays. Not the sort of thing to make an already frustrated boss sleep easy at nights.

Coleraine, last hope in the major European competitions, suffered a setback when they went to meet Anderlecht in Brussels in the Fairs Cup. They went down 6-1 in the first leg and 7-3 at home.

But chairman of the Bannsiders, Jack Doherty, was adamant that such journeys were necessary for local sides: "Ulster clubs must carry on in Europe, it is essential that Irish teams keep on playing in these tournaments. I say that from the point of view of gaining prestige as well as the fact that we will never get anywhere against Continentals if we don't compete with them. The next time we find ourselves with the opportunity of taking part in a European competition we will certainly take it."

The problem for small clubs like those of the Irish League must always be the cost of entering the European Cup, Cup Winners Cup or Fairs Cup. Ards, in their Cup Winners Cup games against Roma of Italy, lost a packet and Linfield, in the European Cup, didn't exactly set their bank manager jumping for joy either. So prestige may be all very well but what's the point of being a well-known club throughout Europe if you are too poor to visit your new friends?

It was interesting, therefore, to know that Coleraine—always a club eager to try new methods—went to Belgium sponsored by local firms. They have pioneered something exciting and promising for local clubs by virtually hiring out the backs of players to potential advertisers—and not just for European games. While we will never see Vic Hunter don a "Sudzo Washes Brighter" jersey in place of his goalie's garb we will see a lot more consideration being given to sponsorship by hard-up Irish outfits.

The answer must be a guarded "yes" but local football must do something about these regular tannings. Gates at home have been falling and many say the standard of play isn't too far behind. Soccer has lost its appeal, the deadly sameness depresses everybody—time for more concrete moves on the suggestion by Distillery's far-seeing chairman, Dennis Moore, who called for a working committee to be set up to look at all aspects of the game in Northern Ireland. At least, he argues with conviction, if we start talking about our problems it would be a step in the right direction.

Darts switch allegiance...

THE Washington Darts, champions of the American Soccer League for the last two years, have switched allegiance and joined the North American Soccer League. Also making the switch are another ASL club, the Rochester Lancers.

Both clubs were accepted into the NASL at a meeting held in New York City on Wednesday, November 12, and on the same day both clubs resigned from the American Soccer League.

At the NASL meeting the applications of four other clubs were presented, but the league deferred decision on these until a meeting scheduled for December 1. The other clubs applying were the Syracuse Scorpions and the Philadelphia Spartans of the American Soccer League, plus organisations in New York and Chicago.

Of the four applicants the New York group would appear to have the inside track in what would seem to be the quest for two places, as it is the league's intention at the present time to expand to eight teams.

The New York team, if it materialises, will have the backing of the German-American Soccer League of that city, and will virtually be an all-star team from that league. Proceeds from ticket sales will be spread between the clubs in the league, and Clive Toye, presently the NASL's director of information, is reported to be the prospective general manager.

ADVANTAGE

Observers feel that Syracuse also has a good chance of being in the eight on the strength of a fine presentation by the Scorpions general manager and coach, Sal de Rosa. Syracuse, who finished as runners-up to Washington in this their first season in the ASL, also have the advantage of having a good team.

Following the application of the Philadelphia Spartans one of the directors of that club accepted the presidency of the American Soccer League at that organisation's meeting which took place after the NASL meeting. This action is somewhat puzzling to say the least, and must put a big question-mark over the Philadelphia application. The Chicago group is only given an outside chance of success.

The big disappointment to fans in Canada is the failure of the Toronto City organisation to apply for membership after holding talks with NASL officials in Toronto and Chicago. The NASL made no secret of the fact that it would have welcomed a team from Toronto, but the Toronto City general manager, John McMahon, said recently: "The time is not right."

Nothing further has been heard of the other groups who were interested in an NASL franchise, and it is thought that what the league was asking in regards to a franchise fee, and performance bond may well have made them change their minds. Both Washington and Rochester had to post $75,000 bonds before November 25, to clinch their membership.

Norm Sutherland (left) general manager of the Washington Darts and Charles Schiano, president of the American Soccer League, admire the league's championship trophy won by the Darts for the second year.

The North American Soccer League is planning a 26-game schedule for 1970 with 14 home games and 12 away games. The odd two home games it is hoped will be against international opposition, the results to count in the standings.

With the Rochester Lancers switching from the ASL to the NASL the American Soccer League lost its president, Charles Schiano, who is also the general manager of the Rochester club. Elected to succeed him in this very difficult job is Alex Hemphill of Philadelphia. Just what shape the ASL will take next year has yet to be decided, but it is understood that an application has been made for the vacant New York franchise.

Commenting on the move of the Washington Darts the club's general manager, Norm Sutherland, who has seen the club rise from a Second Division amateur team in the Washington League in 1963 to the top soccer organisation in the United States in 1969, said: "This move is one which had to be made, the Darts had gone as far as they could, and the major league was the next obvious step."

Sutherland, whose guidance of the club is chiefly responsible for their success, added: "Foreign games are needed in

Miguel Diego of the Washington Darts heads goalwards during an American Soccer League game between the Darts and the Boston Astros. The other Darts looking on are Gerry Browne (left) and Johnny Kerr.

Washington, to show how good the Darts really are. The Darts presently have a top-grade team, but many of the other ASL clubs could not live up to our standard. Now top-class professional soccer is back in the nation's capital." He intimated to me that he would like to see a top Spanish side come to Washington, "preferably Atletico Madrid," he said.

Certainly in this move the NASL has gained considerably while the ASL has lost a lot, for both Washington and Rochester will add a great deal to the stature of the league. Both cities have a hard core of soccer enthusiasts on which to build and dedicated men at the helm who are aware of the tasks they face in trying to build soccer into a major professional sport on this continent.

On the field of play the American Soccer League final, which this season was a two-game total goals affair, was won by the Washington Darts by a 4-0 aggregate over the Syracuse Scorpions.

from COLIN JOSE in North America

The two encounters between the clubs in the regular schedule both ended in draws, 1-1 and 2-2, and the stage was all set for a tremendous battle when the first leg was played at Griffin Stadium in Syracuse.

The outcome of the game and the championship was decided in the first half of this first game, because for some strange reason Syracuse chose to play defensively rather than to attack, and handed the advantage to the Darts.

Syracuse Scorpions: Campos (Saragianis); Felipe, Earle, Davis, Lagendijk; Donlavey, Kankam, Welch; Ofori, Lefkos (Taylor), Odoi.

Washington Darts: Phillips; Alexis, Evans, Gamaldo, Raymond Crispin; Grell, Fraser; Kerr, Nana, Browne, Diego.

Playing 4-3-3 against 4-2-4 for the Darts, the Scorpions rarely troubled Lincoln Phillips, and the league's leading goal-scorer, Jim Lefkos, who had scored 23 goals in 20 games this season, was often left to face the Washington defence alone.

On the other hand the Darts fast forwards often had the Syracuse defence in trouble, with the Ghanaian Nana very prominent. But for some erratic finishing the Darts would have been four ahead at the interval instead of which they had to settle for two, both of which came within a minute.

SUBSTITUTED

Five minutes from the interval Kerr and Nana combined on the right very effectively as they had done all afternoon, and the move ended with Kerr hooking the ball past Campos. Almost right from the kick-off Nana and Browne broke away, and Browne finally slid the ball past the advancing goalkeeper.

In the second half Syracuse substituted Saragiannis in goal for Campos, and Taylor for the injured Lefkos in attack. They also switched the emphasis from defence to attack and it had much better results. Play was generally even throughout the half with Washington hitting long balls upfield for their fast forwards to run on to, while the Scorpions played it shorter. It was far from classic soccer, but it certainly was exciting as play swung from end to end.

The Scorpions came close to reducing the arrears in the 63rd minute when Odoi and Welch combined on the left, and Phillips could only parry the shot from Welch. Odoi following up hit a great right-foot shot which beat Phillips all the way, but Evans standing on the line headed it over the bar.

BOUNCED

In the second leg played in Washington a week later, Grell scored for the Darts in the first minute but the goal was disallowed for a previous infringement. Just four minutes later the Darts scored their first goal of the game and third of the series, when Phil Davis had the misfortune to head a 20-yard drive from Gerry Browne past his own goalkeeper.

Browne missed a glorious chance of putting his club two ahead in the dying minutes of the first half, when he bounced a penalty kick off the right upright. Although the Washington club did most of the attacking it was not until the 86th minute that they further increased their lead. This time Johnny Kerr beat two defenders out on the right side and then centred for Nana to drive the ball past Campos.

For Washington it was a fitting climax to an outstanding season, in which they remained undefeated until their final league game when the Philadelphia Ukrainians beat them 1-0 in Philadelphia.

On the other hand the Syracuse Scorpions were successful even in defeat for this was their first season in professional soccer and to reach the final was a great achievement.

AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE
FINAL TABLES

Northern Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Syracuse Scorpions	20	12	5	3	53	28	29
Rochester Lancers	20	12	5	3	40	18	29
Boston Astros	20	5	0	15	25	48	10
New York Inter ...	20	2	5	13	21	41	0

Syracuse beat Rochester 2-1 in play-off for divisional title. New York franchise revoked and all points deleted.

Southern Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Washington Darts	20	14	5	1	46	11	33
Phil. Spartans	20	7	5	8	25	32	19
Phil. Ukrainians ...	20	7	5	8	27	37	19
Newark Sitch	20	6	1	13	34	54	13

PELE . . .

a tribute by

ERIC BATTY

EDSON ARANTES DO NASCIMENTO . . . that's a mouthful for an English speaking fan to wrestle with . . . but what miracles it conjures up in the mind of someone like myself who, being present at the 1958 World Cup in Sweden was, so to speak, present at the birth of a legend. For Pele is more than a mere man, he symbolises to the young and determined negro that he can be accepted even by the most bigoted . . . that he can become famous in his own right . . . and wherever he plays he spells out the message in huge letters that soccer, fotbal, fussball can still be a game of pleasure, a joy to watch and a delight to play.

Certainly the boy Pele made money, but while his personal rewards in terms of cash were a mere fraction of what was made by those who surrounded him—his club, their opponents in friendly matches, the advertising men, the publishers of books and pamphlets made a great deal more by exploiting his name.

This is not an attack on people who make money, more of a vindication for Pele himself who has given so much pleasure to so many and even now will not allow his name to be connected with advertising for tobacco or strong drink.

The poor boy of a poor family, now rich and famous beyond his dreams. And when asked by an interviewer after he'd scored his famous 1,000th goal what he wanted most now . . . he answered simply —to draw attention to the poor and children, in the hope that something might be done for them.

There are those who have attempted to belittle the record of Pele with talk of Bimbo Binder the famous Austrian ace and Hungary's Ferenc Puskas. They too reached 1,000 goals if one counts all their successful shots and headers in friendly matches around the world.

But I will not join them, for Pele to me is more than a man, more than a symbol—he has become a legend in his own time and recognised throughout the world as a legendary figure he underlines and emphasises to all that football is for those who amaze and confound, who can by his skill alone make fans of his opponents realise that here is someone who should not be kicked. He carries the message wherever he plays . . . that officials and officialdom must set out again with renewed energy to preserve the skills of the game and purge the game of those who seek to destroy the art and beauty of soccer.

Before the 1958 World Cup Pele was only a name to me—as of course he was to many more—though in all probability most of Europe didn't even know the name. I had heard of the new boy-wonder who played against Argentina in 1957 and drew rave notices. But still he was only a name and I had been disappointed many times before by reports of new 'greats' written by men who live on their talent for overstatement.

I knew the name, but like everyone else in Europe I had still to have the pleasure of seeing him play. In the early games of 1958, Pele sat amongst the reserves as I watched the goal-less draw between England and Brazil. Maybe the Brazilian *tecnico* Vicente Feola had decided not to expose his young star to the tough-tackling English, but more likely he thought the boy was too inexperienced, lacking in the temperament required for the really big occasion. The temperament that only comes with experience.

After the failure to score against England, I believe that Feola gambled. Maybe he would deny it, but I feel sure it was a gamble. With elimination a distinct possibility Feola dug deep into his bag of reserves and produced Garrincha who had undergone an operation for appendicitis only a few weeks before; and the boy Pele. Feola gambled and won.

The first time I saw Pele in the flesh was in the semi final with France at the Rasunda stadium in Stockholm. At once I recognised that this time the stories of a new boy-wonder were true. This time the new 'star' was not the product of an over-imaginative Press but a real master craftsman.

In midfield Pele at this time contributed little. In the build-up he was just a novice, but in the penalty area he had the gift of Puskas, Di Stefano and something more . . . a touch of boyishness and excitement, represented in the joy with which he greeted his goals. He jumped like an excited child on Xmas Eve, he clapped his hands in wonder that he had scored. Clearly he couldn't believe it himself.

Pele, supported by Brazilian officials, limps out of the 1966 World Cup finals. (A)

To describe Pele in action is impossible. The words 'great' and 'greatest' have already been overdone, cast away on big, thick muscle-bound centre forwards who scored two goals in a Third Division game. Fantastic and incredible have also been wasted. The words today are commonplace used so freely to describe good players that there are no superlatives left for the truly great. Against this background, how can I describe . . . Pele? But I will try . . . liquid poetry!

Looking back over the notes I have collected about Pele I am aware that I have been unable to see very much of him. At the former annual tournaments staged by the now defunct Racing Club de Paris it was once my pleasure.

At the 1958 World Cup and again all too briefly before he was 'butchered' in the 1966 series. I have been lucky enough to see him also on some of the Santos FC tours of Europe and seen a great deal more on television.

But among my notes on Pele I have more than enough to give some indication of the excitement created by the coloured boy born in 1940 at Tres Coracoes in the state of Minas Gerais. Tres Coracoes is a small mining town, made famous only because Pele was born there; the son of a poor and unsuccessful player Dondinho, dogged by injuries and a player who never made it. When only four years old the family moved to Bauru, not far away, where Dondinho, father of the boy-wonder, had found a new job. There in Bauru he also found an old friend, a colleague from his playing days, Waldemar Brito, who was at that time the trainer of Bauru AC's youth teams.

Pele, pictured playing for Santos in the USA.

TALENTED

Later Waldemar Brito was to say that the first time he saw Pele play, he knew he'd found gold. Still unknown, Waldemar Brito goes on looking for more 'gold' satisfied to help the talented youngsters who pass through his hands.

When Pele was 13, Brito wrote to a friend with Santos who came and watched the boy. They signed an option on him and waited until he was 15. Then they took him to Santos. Not old enough, not big enough, not experienced enough, but at fifteen certainly good enough to play in Santos' first team. At sixteen he was a regular, playing alongside Jair, Brazilian hero of the 1950 World Cup and champions of the Sao Paulo league in Pele's first season. That same year he won his first cap, but still he was largely unknown outside Brazil.

The world discovered Pele a year later in Sweden and since then he has made headlines throughout the world. Eleven times in Pele's 13 seasons with Santos the club has won the Sao Paulo championship. Eleven times in 13 years Pele has been the league's top scorer . . . even one season when he missed the first four months of the campaign through injury and came back to win his title in less than six weeks. This was in the 1964 campaign and when Pele played his first game of the league campaign for Santos, Flavio of Corinthians had already hit 18 goals to top the scorers list and there was barely six weeks left. In his first game Pele scored 5 goals; then 8 in an 11-0 win over Ribeiro Preto and in six weeks Pele ran up a tally of 34 goals that left Flavio a spectator!

Figures tell only a fraction of the story. Shots from 'impossible angles' hit with ferocious power and accuracy; dribbling runs past 8, 9, 10 opponents, then walking round the goalkeeper before flicking the ball up onto his right foot and holding it there, hopping on his left leg to carry the ball over the line.

Of course Pele has played in far more games than any contemporary European star. During most of Pele's career the Brazilian season started on January 1 and ended on December 31. Many of his goals have been scored in the 'exhibition' atmosphere of friendly matches on tour in Europe and elsewhere but no other man of his time has created so much joy, so much amazement at his pure and unadulterated skill as Pele. All the knocks and injuries have taken their toll—according to one specialist his right knee is comparable to that of a man aged fifty—and in the games that really count he is tightly marked, punched and kicked when the referee isn't looking and still manages somehow to get his goals.

Flip through my notes again with me. . . .

November 1963: Brazilian FA Cup semi final v. FC Gremio in Porto Alegro. Pele scores twice and then with no substitutes allowed and goalkeeper Gylmar carried off injured Pele puts on the sweater and plays a great game between the sticks to hold out for a 4-3 win.

May 1961: On tour in Peru for a friendly match for Santos a tired Pele plays in the first half, scores four great goals and then is replaced for the second half. Dropping his tired body into a warm bath while his colleagues go back for the second half without him the crowd became furious. They want their hero back. They shout and chant; they invade the pitch and the referee begs Santos officials to bring Pele back. For ten minutes the game is held up while Pele gets out of the bath and dons his strip once more to return for a belated second half.

January 1965: Santos v. Botafogo and an almost unique occurrence. Pele, marked tight is continuously fouled and finally he loses his temper and retaliates. The referee as so often happens, sees the retaliation and sends Pele off.

Pele asks for a personal hearing and explains to the CBD Disciplinary Board and while the officials exonerate Pele, they suspend referee Albino Zanferrai for thirty days.

Whether or not Pele is the first to reach a total of 1,000 *goles* is of little importance. I do know he scored another 158 between the age of 14 and 16 which have not been counted because they were for Baura AC in Division II football. But nevertheless I applaud him, and on behalf of all the countless millions he has brought joy and pleasure I thank him and wish him well.

BARCELONA ARE FIGHTING THE RESULT OF SEVERAL YEARS OF DISAPPOINTING ACHIEVEMENTS

CRISIS LOOMS AHEAD

THE Desmond Hackett inspired story linking Brian Clough's name with Barcelona created a surprise in some English circles. Legendary Barcelona wants England's most exciting young manager! A great tribute, according to Hackett, to English football . . . although general manager of Barcelona, Juan Gich, says: "The report is absurd."

Gich's comment may be diplomacy . . . but what cannot be hidden by diplomacy is that the once proud and mighty Barcelona are fighting the biggest crisis in their long history, the result of several years of internal tension and disappointing achievements.

They started well enough this season with six points from the first four games. Then came defeat by modest Real Sociedad, the "resignation" of Manager Salvador Artigas, victory over Sabadell and successive humiliating defeats by Seville and Atletico Madrid.

The home failure against Atletico was the straw that broke the back which had been creaking for several years. The press lashed out critically and public protests were so noisy and strong that President Narciso de Carreras and his Executive Committee were forced to resign.

Ex-President D. Narciso de Carreras of Barcelona (left) with D. Pablo Severa, ex-President of Real Mallorca. (NC)

The plain truth is that Barcelona has been living on prestige and reputation built up by the triumphs during the 1950's and in particular the five glorious years between 1957 and 1961 . . . the era when the club was under the presidency of D. Francisco Miro Sans and managed by the famous Helenio Herrera and his successor Ljubisa Brocic. During this tremendous period Barcelona were served by players like Kubala, Suarez, Ramallets, Villaverde, Olivella, Segarra, Gensana and Czibor. They were supreme—almost unbeatable—winning the Spanish Cup and League twice, the Fairs Cup twice and in 1960-61 reaching the final of the European Cup.

It's no exaggeration to say that during those years Barcelona had all the virtues of Manchester United, Liverpool, Real Madrid, Benfica and Inter-Milan, they were the team of the century.

Then things began to go wrong . . . and except for their 1968 Cup Final victory over Real Madrid, nothing of any note has been achieved since. Helenio Herrera's "resignation" started the decline and in an attempt to arrest it there followed a succession of famous managers, among them Kubala, Miro, Cesar, Olsen and Brocic. Ten in ten years.

But always it was the same unhappy story. Experienced men giving all they knew but failing to recapture the old glory and in the end being forced to resign by boardroom dissatisfaction.

Ljubisa Brocic put his finger on it when he left the club saying: "I cannot continue in the insane atmosphere there is at Barcelona."

Failure has nearly always been traced to dissatisfied directors . . . respected professional men and successful industrialists, but men who somehow have been unable to sink their own personalities when working together for the club.

No one in Spanish football minds a dominant president providing he surrounds himself with specialists like Real Madrid's Santiago Bernabeu has, with Antonio Calderon (general manager), Miguel Munoz (team manager), Antonio Saporta (finance) and Dominguin (general secretary). But Barcelona, during the last years, have had strong presidents supported by directors with definite ideas of their own. In consequence the internal organisation has been ridden with tension and frustration, bringing a parade of managers, but only partial success on the playing field.

Barcelona talk big . . . act big . . . buy big . . . build big, yet because of the inability to work smoothly behind the scenes, the club panorama and prestige has suffered and diminished.

ACHIEVEMENTS

The other thing that retards the club's progress is an inferiority complex, the secret resentment felt over the respect, power and achievements of Real Madrid . . . the fact that, except for that once glorious spell, Barcelona has had to play second fiddle in Spain.

The disappearance of the Narciso de Carreras regime has provided an opportunity for a new era. Will the new board be able to introduce the transformation scene necessary to restore Barcelona to the glory of its past years.

Barcelona's recent performances, with seven internationals and Spain's most expensive player in the side, are . . . disastrous, is the only word. Their defence, which last season, was superb, is like a sieve . . . only

desperation prevents cricket scores. Their forward line, lacking in punch, leadership and ideas, comprises of five disorganised individuals . . . and their mid-field is like the wide open spaces of the West.

Strong criticism, I know, but criticism that, at the moment, is thoroughly justified, especially when a team like Real Mallorca can make them look Third Division.

This then is what faces any future Barcelona manager.

PRESTIGE

A sad event coincided with Barcelona's crisis . . . the death of Arthur Witty, the English businessman who, with Juan Gamper founded the Club de Futbol Barcelona in 1899. He became President of the club way back in the early 1900's . . . held Membership Card Number 2 . . . and although he was 91 attended matches until just before his death.

Simultaneously, way down South, Seville are riding on the crest of a wave of success. Brilliant performances are bringing back the lost crowds and regaining prestige. Seville are among the top clubs again.

The man who has achieved the miracle is the famous maker of champions, Max Merkel. Although he has a managerial contract with Seville until June 30, 1970, four German clubs, Stuttgart, Borussia Dortmund, Hannover and Hertha (Berlin) are already seeking his services for 1970-71. All are willing to pay him each month, more than the Chancellor of Germany is receiving.

Hertha (Berlin) are reported to have sent him a contract signed and sealed omitting only the terms which he himself can name . . . two Argentine clubs have made enquiries . . . and there is strong reason to believe that Barcelona would be willing to pay £100,000 for a three year contract.

Seville will want to retain him but it is doubtful whether they can match the terms offered by the clubs in the queue.

Before Merkel surprisingly signed for newly-promoted Seville last July they were strongly tipped for relegation again. Yet without buying a single player the Austrian genius has moulded them into the most potential of Spanish First Division clubs.

METHODS

Atletico Bilbao are indeed back on the map. They are the team of the season . . . league leaders . . . and odds-on favourites to smash Real Madrid's supremacy. And it is the methods, tactics and organisation of Ronnie Allen that has done it. Alone . . . too much alone at times . . . he has inspired a side that narrowly escaped relegation last season to the position of prospective champions. In a few months—he originally asked

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for two years—Ronnie has achieved almost the impossible.

But the unhappy "cold war" that the local press is waging over Allen's refusal to allow the players to give interviews, could well undo all the good he has done.

Last month the icy relationship began to thaw when success brought acknowledgment that "the foreigner" was doing a good job. Items of praise began to appear in the newspaper columns.

Then Allen made a kinky, touchy statement which made headlines in almost every sports paper and promptly wrecked the improving atmosphere. "I will not receive in my office any journalist whose paper calls me 'Manager', 'Mister' (the accepted name for manager in Spain) or 'English'. My name is Ronnie Allen, I acknowledge no other," he said.

RIDICULE

You can imagine how that was received throughout Spain. It opened the way for unlimited sarcasm and ridicule. Among other names, he is now referred to as . . . 'What's his name' of Atletico Bilbao . . . 'You know who' of Atletico . . . 'The Grand Lama of Tibet' . . . 'Mr. Facilidad' . . . 'Sir, with love, Allen' . . . 'His Serene Highness' . . . 'The Grand Caballero' . . . 'Oi, Allen' . . . and 'Señor Flanagan'."

One newspaper said "San Mames (Bilbao's stadium) has become a Theatre of Mime because the players signal to Allen, not knowing what to call him".

To have taken on the Bilbao management knowing little of the Spanish language or character . . . to have gained the confidence of players and support of the public (Bilbao public) . . . and to have achieved the success he has . . . inspires, in my book, nothing but complete admiration.

But the way he is handling his public image is just plain bonkers.

I say "moulded them" . . . whipped is perhaps the better word. They call him "Mr. Whip" in these parts. He introduced the most painful methods of Prussian discipline . . . two hours physical training every morning . . . two hours tactical and playing sessions in the afternoon . . . in bed by eleven. It nearly killed the Seville players at first, they almost revolted . . . but my goodness it has produced the most powerful of formations.

EXAMPLE

Merkel puts it this way: "My players work each day of the week . . . and play on Sundays (match days)."

The most curious thing about disciplinarian Merkel is his obsession with Real Madrid. He knows more about them than the remarkable best-seller "The History of Real Madrid" . . . he likes to be known as M.M. (like Miguel Munoz, Real's manager) . . . he never stops using them as an example or talking about their greatness.

Recently he said: "Real Madrid will easily win the Spanish Championship, they are unbeatable." . . . then calmly watched, with a smile on his face, while Seville beat them fairly easily in the surprise result of the season. In a press interview after the game Merkel declared "Real Madrid are the greatest of sides". What does that make Seville? And what can you say about a man like that?

LATE FLASH. Max Merkel has now stopped all players giving interviews to the press and radio without permission. Unlike the Bilbao press, Seville sports writers have accepted this unusual (for Spain) regulation. They take the view "if it helps the club, it's all right with us".

The Ronnie Allen serial. I make no apology for persisting with this theme for Allen is still making front page headlines.

Granada: back row left to right: Nito, Martos, Barranechea, Lorenzo, Santos, Fernadez. Front row: Machicha, Jose, Barrios, Vicente, Hidalgo. (NC)

GREGORY TESSER Interview This Month

PETER OSGOOD

'OLD POWER CAME BACK'

THE football life of Peter Osgood has occupied three very distinct phases: the sudden almost overnight stardom at the age of eighteen when everything he did was news; the painful recovery from a broken leg, and his subsequent loss of form when he returned to the Chelsea first team.

Since he returned to first team duty at Stamford Bridge the critics have consistently labelled him as a player with considerable talent, but essentially lazy. Whereas in 1965 he was "England's answer to Di Stefano", in 1967 he had suddenly become to all intents and purposes a player lacking that extra courage which separates the wheat from the chaff. But as we all know the Press can be as fickle as any fan.

Now in the short space of several weeks, "Ossie" has once again become the newspaper man's "darling". I asked Peter if this cut-throat attitude on the part of the Sporting Press had affected him at all mentally: "As everyone knows, before I broke my leg I was soccer's number one golden boy. Everything about me was news. But I soon found that when I broke my leg people were quick to discard me. They were all too eager to ask the question: 'Will he play again, or won't he?'.

"When I returned to the Chelsea first team I realised that I had become too psychologically affected by my broken leg. I found it difficult to tackle hard, and subsequently I lost my form."

Last season, although by no means his best, he was still able to do enough to gain England Under-23 honours. At times there were flashes of the vintage Osgood, but always one sensed there was something wrong.

SERIOUS

"At times last season," he told me, "football became just a job—almost a grind. In fact I had lost my appetite for the game.

"However, I have gradually found my form returning this season. In many ways I have gone back to go forward. In other words the confidence which I had at the tender age of eighteen has now returned. Another thing I realise now is when I should and should not tackle another player. So many players go purposely over the ball nowadays that one must avoid clashes with them if one is to avoid a serious injury. In my teens I used to tackle anyone and often I paid the penalty, but now I know when I should and should not tackle."

In his recent book Osgood stated that he was too lazy to ever play for England, but he now admits he wrote this when his playing career was in the doldrums. I was interested to know from Peter the main reason for his change of heart: "Things have changed radically since my book was finalised. I have built up a considerable thirst for the game again, and basically I think I am playing as well as ever.

"Undoubtedly the game against Everton at Stamford Bridge in November was the real turning-point. All my old powers of slipping past several defenders came back to me like a miracle, and this has subsequently led to a much greater improvement in my goalscoring ability."

The re-emergence of Osgood as one of England's shining stars has coincided with Chelsea's rise in the First Division table.

"The whole Chelsea team are playing so well at the present time that my task of recapturing my form has been made all the easier. Chelsea are probably a more consistent side than they have ever been. We have been improving all the time which I am sure is the best way of being 'in at the kill' for honours next spring."

This season Peter has played in two distinct roles for Chelsea and the England Under-23 team. For his club he has been playing as an out-and-out striker whereas Sir Alf Ramsey has employed him as a midfield rover in the Under-23 side. Many players would be affected by this chopping and changing of roles, but not "Ossie".

"I don't honestly mind where I am told to play in the England side. After all it's the greatest honour any English player can receive."

Osgood also made it clear in his book that he doubts if England would retain the coveted Jules Rimet trophy. I asked him if his views had changed since the publication of his book: "I am certain England will find it much tougher next year than in 1966. This time the conditions will be all against them. I myself much prefer playing in the wind and rain than the baking heat and humidity which will be encountered in Mexico.

"The English players in Mexico will obviously have to play more of a quick-quick-slow style—similar in fact to the tactics they used recently against Holland. If you don't learn to pace yourself in Mexico you're finished! Of course England must be favourites to win the trophy again, and I am sure they will be there or thereabouts. Undoubtedly the greatest threat will come from Brazil who have both talent and experience plus, of course, Pelé."

Since the ebullient Tommy Docherty vacated the manager's chair at Chelsea in 1967 it has virtually been the "In Thing" to criticise him in no uncertain terms. But in Osgood the "Doc" has a fervent admirer.

"Without any doubt Tommy Docherty has influenced me more than any other person. Many players have criticised him vehemently during the past couple of years, and although I must agree that he is an extremely unpredictable character, I must make it clear that he stood by me at Chelsea during periods both of utter despair and elation. I will certainly never forget what he did for me."

Elegant Peter Osgood, a player of undoubted talent and skill, seems at last to have quietened the criticisms of the pen-happy critics. There are few players in the game today who possess his delicate subtlety and goal power, and one must but only agree with ex-Chelsea manager Tommy Docherty when he said he would not sell "Ossie" for £250,000.

Aussies out of love with FIFA

by ANDREW DETTRE

BRAZIL, possibly England may take out the Jules Rimet trophy in June; Tostao, Riva or Mueller may end up as the top scorer in the Mexico World Cup finals. But Australia can rightfully claim the "Intercontinental Championship". They have, after all, emerged as the top team in Oceania and Asia so far plus having eliminated an African nation in the process, Neither Brazil nor England can truthfully lay claims to such feats.

But Australia did more than that: she probably set up some world records which may not be equalled for a couple of decades. Our team will have played seven consecutive World Cup qualifying matches overseas this year—nine in a row, if you include the 1965 venture to Cambodia. They will have covered about 40,000 miles in 1969 during their elimination round labours; as representatives of Oceania they played in Asia (twice), Africa and touched down in Europe (Rome) in their stubborn bid to reach America (Mexico).

I know we live in the space age; I am also fully aware that two Apollo crews have been to the moon and back. I also know that contrary to the inspired utterances of prophets, saints and revolutionaries, there is and can be no absolute equality on earth.

But I'll be damned if I know why FIFA saw it fit and proper to drag Australia right around the globe, as though punishing an upstart for daring to even dream about hobnobbing with the giants of world soccer.

Let's look into this quite incredible situation by drawing some ready-made comparisons.

Switzerland, in her World Cup bid, had to travel a total of 6,100 air miles to and from Portugal, Greece and Rumania. The Irish Republic's travels to Copenhagen, Budapest and Prague amounted to 5,800 miles. The USSR—among Europe's most "isolated" countries, geographically speaking — covered 3,400 miles when they visited Turkey and Northern Ireland. Or take Uruguay, if you wish, whose total came to 7,500 miles when they went to Chile and Ecuador.

Now, hold on: by the time the Australian team returns from its latest globetrot, they will have covered 40,000 miles in two months and will have played in Asia, Africa and Asia again (actually the two furthermost points of Asia . . .) and will have landed in Rome, during their nightmarish travels.

But let's drive the point home even more forcibly. This was the travel itinerary of Australia since October: Sydney Manila-Hong Kong-Tokyo-Seoul (tournament there), then back to Sydney; Sydney-Mauritius-Johannesburg-Lourenço Marques in Mozambique (two matches there against Rhodesia); back to Johannesburg-Rome-Tel Aviv (one match there)-Hong Kong Sydney . . .

No wonder Australian soccer officials and supporters are openly wondering if FIFA has gone completely mad.

What went really wrong? It's worth airing this administrative disaster, if for no other reason than to draw attention to a muddle which must be avoided in future.

Subgroup 15/1 was set down for Seoul and all seemed well until the South Korean government's decision not to admit the Rhodesians into their country. They claimed that in accordance with a United Nations resolution, which they supported, they cannot regard the current Rhodesian passport legal, having been issued by the Ian Smith regime which in itself is universally regarded as illegal and unconstitutional.

After some vacillation, FIFA ordered the Seoul tournament to go ahead with Australia, Japan and South Korea participating —but without the Rhodesians. "A solution satisfactory to all concerned will be found to the problem," said a FIFA spokesman and everybody believed him.

Australia duly won the Seoul tournament—and then came the bombshell: they were told that they must play Rhodesia. But where? FIFA president Sir Stanley Rous, who was in Seoul at the time, hinted that Mexico City may be a suitable venue. But what if the Mexicans also refuse admittance to the Rhodesians for the play-off? "Then we either take the World Cup finals away from Mexico or simply remove Rhodesia from the tournament. You can guess which of the two is the likelier to happen," he added with a smirk. Actually, his smirk was wasted; neither of the mentioned two possibilities did happen. FIFA managed to find another way out.

In fact, they sought and found the one solitary country in Europe which doesn't subscribe to the United Nations edict on Rhodesia—the comatose Salazar's Portugal. And the Portuguese promptly offered to stage the Australia v Rhodesia matches — not in Portugal, though, but in their African colony, Mozambique, birthplace of such immortals as Coluna, Santana and Eusebio. Soon after that FIFA sent a cabled ultimatum to Australia: play the Rhodesians in Lourenço Marques on November 23 and 27 or face immediate elimination.

The astonishing thing about this muddle is that Rhodesia sneaked into the Oceania-Asia subgroup in the first place, when some years ago the groups were tentatively drawn up at Casablanca. By that time FIFA was aware that the other African countries would have no track with Rhodesia, who isn't even a member of the African Confederation: so they passed them off to Oceanic-Asia, like a counterfeit coin.

At the 1968 Guadalajara FIFA Congress both Australia and Japan strongly protested about Rhodesia's presence, pointing out that an African country shouldn't be included in this group. However, the protests were summarily dismissed. FIFA, which in the past always stuck strictly to geographical and confederative groupings, decided to make an exception in Rhodesia's case.

Now you would think that a country, outcast among the world's nations whether they be capitalists or communists, hardly rates any special concessions. And yet Rhodesia were actually rewarded by FIFA. First they received a valuable bye from the Seoul tournament and then were paired off with the winners, Australia, who had to battle every inch of the way to win that group; then they were further favoured by the venue for these matches. Mozambique is some 8,500 miles from Sydney and only some 600 miles from Salisbury; this is presumably what FIFA regards as meeting at halfway . . .

However, two vital aspects of this shocking affair have never been clearly explained. If Portugal or a Portuguese colony was the only possible place under the sun where Rhodesia could be met and played — why Mozambique, right next door to Rhodesia and why not Macao, another Portuguese outpost, just next door to Hong Kong, where attendances surely would have been a great deal better than the measly 4,000-6,000 in Lourenço Marques? Why not make BOTH teams travel roughly the same distance and meet in really neutral surroundings?

But the biggest mystery of them all concerns Mexico itself. Having voted for the United Nations resolution, the Mexican government is in no position to issue visas to the Rhodesians, now or next year. Should Rhodesia somehow have qualified for the finals, they simply would not have been able to take part. But Mexico is not unique in this respect and FIFA couldn't have possibly removed the World Cup finals to another place: just about EVERY country, which is a member of the UNO, is in the same boat.

That being so, what was the purpose of the Rhodesian exercise? Why did FIFA kid them along and let them take part knowing full well that they had no hope of finishing what they had started?

The answer is probably this: FIFA was secretly praying that somebody would be kind enough to eliminate Rhodesia on the field and spare them the unpleasant task of kicking them out administratively.

AROUND the World STORIES

AT the commencement of the 1969 championship B 1901 Nykoping and B 1903—Copenhagen were promoted to Division I and like Oster IFK in Sweden last season, B 1903 surprised everyone by stealing the title first time.

Aalborg BK made the early running with 1968 champions KB Copenhagen and B 1903 always close behind, but with a late run B 1903 ended the campaign with a clear four points over the rest of the field. KB (2nd) and Aalborg (3rd) with the one-time wonders Hvidovre fourth. The success of 1903 is almost a repeat of Hvidovre's exploits under Austrian coach Ernst Nekuta who took Hvidovre from Division IV in 1962 to Division I in 1964 and earned the championship in 1966. Boss of B 1903 is Sweden's Bosse (Bo) Haakonsson and his club have waited 31 years for the title!

Hvidovre and Ernst Nekuta separated two years ago and this season under Italian coach Mario Astori finished fourth after having been stripped of almost all their stars by foreign clubs.

At the bottom of the table and relegated are B 1909 Odense and Esbjerg BK, the latter winning the championship three years in a row between 1961 and 1963 under Austrian coach Rudi Strittich. This season was with Aalborg BK who topped the table at the moment when the Danish FA engaged Strittich on a one year contract as National coach—the first time the Danes have secured a full-time chief. Promoted to Division I are Bronshoj and Randers Freja, the Second Division Cup fighters who won the FA Cup in 1967 and again in 1968 while in the second class!

Near the end of the campaign a vital relegation and promotion clash brought teams seriously involved in both issues together. With a great deal at stake several games got out of hand including the B.1909 Odense-Esbjerg game. 1909 won 3-0 after Esbjerg had lost their centre forward, carried off with a broken leg. That day in six First Division matches (a full programme) one player was sent off, two went to hospital with broken limbs and 11 players were cautioned.

URUGUAY

CHAMPIONS eight times in the last ten years AC Penarol officials are not happy at the moment with their present position—trailing behind great rivals Nacional. During the last six months Penarol have had three bosses, the latest being Brazilian born Osvaldo Brandao. His prime opponent Zeze Moreira is also from Brazil, the brother of former Brazilian National team trainer Aimore.

With only three games left Nacional lead Penarol by four points though the two giants still have to meet again. Nacional broke a nine year 'duck' earlier this season when they beat Penarol 2-0 their first success over their arch-rivals since 1960. Before Nacional beat them, Penarol had already lost 0-2 to Liverpool, their first defeat of the season and one which brought to an end a Uruguayan record of 56 matches without defeat. During this time Penarol won 42 and drew 14 games for a goals tally of 107 to 21.

In third place are Racing who were, at one time, the closest challengers to Nacional. Beaten by Penarol the Racing side walked off the pitch in the 85th minute after the referee had disallowed a goal. Later that day the Racing Board held a meeting and issued a statement stating that the club had withdrawn from the league. Talks with the FA settled matters finally and Racing continue in third place with relegation problems being equally shared by Defensor, Cerro, Danubio and Liverpool.

Much of Penarol's difficulties have been due to bad luck and injuries. At one period during which time they lost three games Penarol had Alberto Spencer, Luis Varela and Mario Mendez all unfit while star goalkeeper Mazurkiewiecz was suspended. Even earlier Mazurkiewiecz had had several weeks of inactivity through injury. Off the field, however, Mazurkiewiecz has been very busy as Chairman of the Players' Union. Threatening a 48 hour strike, to black-out one complete weekend (strikes being illegal at the present moment in Uruguay), the players are making several demands. Amongst other things, the players want the FA to 'guarantee' that wages will be paid, and that players must be paid for 12 months and not as now signed on (and paid) right before the games begin.

SWEDEN

NEW league champions are IFK Goteborg (Gothenburg), one of the country's oldest and most respected clubs. Malmo FF and re-enlivened Djurgaarden two other 'Prestigioso' teams came closest—three and four points respectively, while Goteborg's Reine Almquist won the scorers' race with a total of 16 goals, four of which he hit on the final day.

New Footballer of the Year is international wing half Tommy Svensson who plays for Oster IFK (Vaxjo). His father, another former cap, managed the championship for Oster on their debut in the top flight. Atvidaberg, promoted with Oster in the autumn of 1967, also did well in the closely fought championship race of 1968 but both *newlings* this year, Jonkoping SIF and Sirius (from Uppsala), both went down at once.

Up now come two old established clubs of world wide fame: Orgryte (from Gothenberg) and Hammarby IF. Orgryte still have their international stars Agne Simonsson (World Cup '58 and Real Madrid, etc.) and Lennart Wing, while Hammarby who produced 'Nacka Skoglund' years ago have no one really well known but are said to have a liking for re-engaging their former left-wing international Tom Turesson (now in Belgium with FC Bruges).

Overall *fotbal* appears to be slightly on the upgrade with an average of 200 per Division I game more people paying for admission compared with 1968. Much of this relative success can no doubt be attributed to the interest stirred up by 94 times capped Orvar Bergmark who did a great job of steering Sweden to a place in Mexico.

In the *clincher* Sweden won 2-0 at home to France and then with their place in the finals already booked they lost 0-3 in Paris. For the game in Paris Bergmark made five changes and no doubt used the match for experiments and blooding reserves.

At Rasunda where a capacity sell-out weeks in advance settled the group, Bergmark included six 'foreign' based professionals: Axelsson, Grahn, Persson and Kindvall (scorer of both the goals) plus Leif Eriksson soon to join Marseille who

LIERSE SK; standing left to right: Bogaerts, Dierckx, Engelen, Willems (Capt.), Michielsens, Lodewijckx. Kneeling left to right: De Nul, Janssens, De Ceulaer, Van Opstael, Vermeyen. (Batty)

came off in the second half to allow Roger Magnusson (already with Marseille) to have a run as substitute.

RUSSIA

FORMER international star Igor Netto has been in Moscow for some time after completing a coaching contract in Cyprus. Unable to find a football appointment he returned to his old club Spartak Moscow for whom he is now manager of the club's Ice-Hockey team!

This in a season of real success for Spartak, who finished second in the First Division last season behind Dynamo Kiev and finally vindicated their chief Nikita Simonian by beating Dynamo (champions three times in a row) Kiev 1-0 away and going on to win the title.

Under the new formula specially arranged for 1969, the First Division was divided into two preliminary groups from which the top seven were brought together at the half way mark. Spartak topped their section while Dynamo Kiev were at that time the only unbeaten team and headed their group. When the top seven from each section were combined they retained the points won against other teams amongst the big '14' but lost the points they had won from clubs that failed to qualify for phase II.

All very complicated but with Dynamo Kiev suffering a collapse in morale near the end, Spartak are champions. Dynamo had two men (Szabo and Rudakov) 'booked' in the game against Spartak and later Serebrianikov was sent off in Leningrad where Zenith held a point.

Next season's top flight will be composed of the 14 'finalists' of this year's championship plus the top two from the B liga which was formed after the top seven had been creamed off the top two sections—Ararat Jerevan and Pachtakhor Taschkent plus the strongest of Russia's 88 Second Division teams (split in four regional groups): Spartak Ordshonikidse.

Two other events worthy of comment were the 40th birthday 'performance' put on by 78 times capped Lev Yashin. The weekend before his birthday Lev made one of his rare league appearances in the big local derby against league leaders Spartak, which Dynamo won 3-2 with Lev having a great game. The star worthy of note was Spartak's Galimzjan Chissainov whose hat trick in the 4-0 win over ASK Rostov brought him his 100th goal—only the 15th Russian to reach that mark.

NORWAY

THE all-amateur Norwegians have begun once more to attract attention in what is becoming one of the most business-like professions in the world. How they can possibly succeed in the long run, is the most difficult of questions yet the unknown club from Trondheim . . . Rosenborg gave Southampton a fair fight in the Fairs Cup and drew even greater attention to themselves by clinching a remarkable run of victories and stealing the championship from the popular clubs of Oslo.

Rosenborg, champions by a clear seven points in an 18 match programme scored more goals than anyone else and shared the best defensive record with runners up Fredrikstadt.

In the FA Cup Fredrikstadt were also forced to accept the consolation of being runners up, drawing 2-2 in the final against unknown provincials Stromgodest (who play in Drammen) after extra time. The replay was an equally fought affair 2-2 at the break and 5-3 for the men of Drammen at the end.

The goalscorers' race also figured the provincial clubs prominently—Rosenborg's Odd Iversen doubling the tally of his closest challenger, hitting 26 goals in 18 games, against the 13 scored by runners-up Pettersen from Stromgodset. Mjondalen, Cup winners in 1968, again reached the semi-finals before losing 0-2 to Fredrikstadt while a really excellent season was experienced by unknown Hamerskameraten. Winners of the Second Division they also reached the FA Cup semi-finals and went out in a replay following a 0-0 draw against Stromgodset the eventual winners. Hamerskameraten's lone star is the veteran international Finn Thorsen with 34 caps who led his team to a final winning run of nine league victories in a row!

In the World Cup, Norway inevitably collapsed after promising their fans too much when they beat France 1-0 in Strasbourg. Well beaten by a re-motivated French squad the Norwegians inevitably finished bottom of their group and then had mixed success on an international tour, losing 0-4 to Mexico and winning 3-1 in Guatemala.

AUSSIES MARCH ON

by ANDREW DETTRE

TWENTY matches, 13 wins and only two defeats. . . . Is that England's proud international record? Perhaps Brazil's or that of all conquering Everton's? Not at all. This, at the time of writing, is Australia's international match balance sheet . . . and a damned fine one, if I may add.

It has been chalked up since 1967 and 13 of the matches were played overseas. In fact, both defeats were recorded at home, one in Melbourne and one in Adelaide against Greece and Japan respectively.

Twice since 1967 Australia has ventured into Asia and twice the team returned undefeated. In 1967 they won all seven of their full internationals on their tour and in 1969 they went through unbeaten in the Seoul World Cup tournament.

This is a pretty good record, definitely something to be proud of. And that we are. Once the whipping boys of international soccer, the dream-come-true for all touring teams, Australia stopped being a nonentity.

By the time this issue of our magazine appears we will know the results of Australia's tussles against Israel, first in Tel Aviv and later, on December 14, in Sydney. The winner of this pair will be in the Mexico World Cup finals in May—and I feel fairly optimistic that this will be Australia.

The innocent and the uninitiated would be tempted to jump to the conclusion that Australia's formidable successes are the results of painstaking preparation, planning and execution.

At the risk of shattering some of the illusions of the romantically-minded, the record must be put straight: Australia achieved all she did **despite** the almost total lack of planning and preparation.

For years Australian fans have been hearing about a "national team policy," some vague and intangible theory which never reached the testing stage. For years every soccer official worth his salt has been loudly stressing in public the importance of building up a strong national side to win us overseas prestige—then, in turn, did nothing about it. Even the current manager of the team, ex-Scot John Barclay falls into this category. He even went further: at an emergency meeting of the Australian Federation in September he voted **against** taking part in the Seoul World Cup tournament—then, when the decision to go ahead was reached, promptly offered his services as manager

But Barclay is not alone with this type of cynical attitude; the national team has become a political football among the six Australian states, something petty, small-minded part-time officials can kick about without fear of retribution.

And this team has brought nothing but pleasure and success in recent years. . .

I fear that this situation cannot be remedied unless the Australian Federation simply removes the national team from the jurisdiction of meddling state officials and creates the nucleus of a permanent crew—manager, coach, etc.—to mind the baby. Australia is still at the insane stage when for each international engagement a manager is freshly elected, prompting lengthy spectacles of lobbying and favour-swopping.

Not once so far have they clearly stipulated the qualifications a man should have to gain a managerial post; I doubt if the country's "leading officials" would even know what these qualifications should be. It's the same old "I'll-vote-for-you-and-you-vote-for-me" kind of horse-trading tradition which can produce results only through blind luck.

Yet this team really deserves something better. They have proved that, at least in this part of the world, they can take on any other team without complexes; they can fight like few other teams in the world can; and they have a handful of players who would be welcome in much more glamorous national elevens.

In full back Manfred Schaefer, midfielder John Warren, strikers Tom McColl and Ray Baartz and some others they have players of international calibre; not Peles and Bobby Charltons perhaps—but how many such geniuses can you name in a hurry, anyway?

SOCCERTISTICS

Edited by MICHAEL CHANDLER

WORLD CUP LATEST
GROUP ONE

Switzerland 1, Greece 0
Portugal 3, Rumania 0
Rumania 2, Switzerland 0
Greece 4, Portugal 2
Portugal 0, Switzerland 2
Greece 2, Rumania 2
Portugal 2 Greece 2
Switzerland 0, Rumania 1
Rumania 1, Portugal 0
Greece 4, Switzerland 1
Switzerland 1, Portugal 1
Rumania 1, Greece 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Rumania	6	3	1	7	6	8
Greece	6	2	1	13	9	7
Switzerland ..	6	2	3	5	8	5
Portugal ...	6	1	3	8	10	4

GROUP TWO

Denmark 0, Czechoslovakia 3
Czechoslovakia 1, Denmark 0
Eire 1, Czechoslovakia 2
Denmark 2, Eire 0
Hungary 2, Czechoslovakia 0
Eire 1, Hungary 2
Denmark 3, Hungary 2
Czechoslovakia 3, Hungary 3
Czechoslovakia 3, Eire 0
Hungary 3, Denmark 0
Hungary 4, Eire 0
Eire 1, Denmark 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Czecho'vakia	6	4	1	12	6	9
Hungary ...	6	4	1	16	7	9
Denmark ...	6	2	3	6	10	5
Eire	6	0	5	3	14	1

Play-off: Czechoslovakia 4, Hungary 1

GROUP THREE

Wales 0, Italy 1
East Germany 2, Italy 2
East Germany 2, Wales 1
Wales 1, East Germany 3
Italy 4, Wales 1
Italy 3, East Germany 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Italy	4	3	0	10	3	7
E. Germany	4	2	1	7	7	5
Wales	4	0	4	3	10	0

GROUP FOUR

Northern Ireland 4, Turkey 1
Turkey 0, Northern Ireland 3
Northern Ireland 0, USSR 0
USSR 3, Turkey 0
USSR 2, Northern Ireland 0
Turkey 1, USSR 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
USSR	4	3	0	8	1	7
N. Ireland...	4	2	1	7	3	5
Turkey	4	0	4	2	13	0

GROUP FIVE

Sweden 5, Norway 0
France 0, Norway 1
Norway 2, Sweden 5
Norway 1, France 3
Sweden 2, France 0
France 3, Sweden 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Sweden	4	3	1	12	5	6
France	4	2	2	6	4	4
Norway ...	4	1	3	4	13	2

GROUP SIX

Finland 1, Belgium 2
Yugoslavia 9, Finland 1
Belgium 6, Finland 1
Belgium 3, Yugoslavia 0
Yugoslavia 0, Spain 0
Spain 1, Belgium 1
Belgium 2, Spain 1
Spain 2, Yugoslavia 1
Finland 1, Yugoslavia 5
Finland 2, Spain 0
Spain 6, Finland 0
Yugoslavia 4, Belgium 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Belgium ...	6	4	1	14	8	9
Yugoslavia ..	6	3	2	19	7	7
Spain	6	2	2	10	6	6
Finland ...	6	1	5	6	28	2

GROUP SEVEN

Austria 7, Cyprus 1
Austria 0, West Germany 2
Cyprus 0, West Germany 1
Scotland 2, Austria 1
Cyprus 0, Scotland 5
Scotland 1, West Germany 1
Cyprus 1, Austria 2
West Germany 1, Austria 0
Scotland 8, Cyprus 0
West Germany 12, Cyprus 0
West Germany 3, Scotland 2
Austria 2, Scotland 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
W. Germany	6	5	0	20	3	11
Scotland ...	6	3	2	18	7	7
Austria	6	3	3	12	7	6
Cyprus	6	0	6	2	35	0

GROUP EIGHT

Holland 2, Luxembourg 0
Bulgaria 2, Holland 0
Holland 4, Luxembourg 0
Poland 8, Luxembourg 1
Bulgaria 2, Luxembourg 1
Holland 1, Poland 0
Bulgaria 4, Poland 1
Poland 2, Holland 1
Luxembourg 1, Poland 5
Holland 1, Bulgaria 1
Poland 3, Bulgaria 0
Luxembourg 1, Bulgaria 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Bulgaria	6	4	1	12	7	9
Poland	6	4	2	19	8	8
Holland ...	6	3	2	9	5	7
Luxembourg	6	0	6	4	24	0

GROUP TEN

Bolivia 3, Argentina 1
Peru 1, Argentina 0
Bolivia 2, Peru 1
Peru 3, Bolivia 0
Argentina 1, Bolivia 0
Argentina 2, Peru 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Peru	4	2	1	7	4	5
Bolivia	4	2	2	5	6	4
Argentina ...	4	1	2	4	6	3

GROUP ELEVEN

Colombia 3, Venezuela 0
Venezuela 1, Colombia 1
Colombia 0 Brazil 2
Venezuela 0, Paraguay 2
Colombia 0, Paraguay 1
Venezuela 0, Brazil 5
Paraguay 0, Brazil 3
Brazil 6, Colombia 2
Paraguay 1, Venezuela 0
Brazil 6, Venezuela 0
Paraguay 2, Colombia 1
Brazil 1, Paraguay 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Brazil	6	6	0	23	2	12
Paraguay ...	6	4	2	6	5	8
Colombia ...	6	1	4	7	12	3
Venezuela ...	6	0	5	1	18	1

GROUP TWELVE

Ecuador 0, Uruguay 2
Chile 0, Uruguay 0
Uruguay 1, Ecuador 0
Chile 4, Ecuador 1
Ecuador 1, Chile 1
Uruguay 2, Chile 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Uruguay ...	4	3	0	5	0	7
Chile	4	1	1	5	4	4
Ecuador ...	4	0	3	2	8	1

GROUP THIRTEEN (A)

Costa Rica 3, Jamaica 0
Jamaica 1, Costa Rica 3
Honduras 3, Jamaica 1
Jamaica 0, Honduras 2
Honduras 1, Costa Rica 0
Costa Rica 1, Honduras 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Honduras ...	**4**	**3**	**0**	**7**	**2**	**7**
Costa Rica ..	4	2	1	7	3	5
Jamaica	4	0	4	2	11	0

GROUP THIRTEEN (B)

Guatemala 4, Trinidad 0
Trinidad 0, Guatemala 0
Trinidad 0, Haiti 4
Haiti 2, Trinidad 4
Haiti 2, Guatemala 0
Guatemala 1, Haiti 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Haiti	**4**	**2**	**1**	**8**	**4**	**5**
Guatemala ..	4	1	1	4	2	4
Trinidad ...	4	1	2	4	10	3

GROUP THIRTEEN (C)

Surinam 6, Neth. Antilles 0
El Salvador 6, Surinam 0
Neth. Antilles 2, Surinam 0
El Salvador 1, Neth. Antilles 0
Neth. Antilles 1, El Salvador 2
Surinam 4, El Salvador 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
El Salvador	**4**	**3**	**1**	**10**	**5**	**6**
Surinam ...	4	2	2	10	9	4
N. Antilles...	4	1	3	3	9	2

Honduras 1, El Salvador 0
El Salvador 3, Honduras 0
Play-off: El Salvador 3, Honduras 2

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GROUP THIRTEEN (D)

Canada 4, Bermuda 0
Canada 4, USA 2
Bermuda 0, Canada 0
USA 1, Canada 0
USA 6, Bermuda 2
Bermuda 0, USA 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
USA	**4**	**3**	**1**	**11**	**6**	**6**
Canada	4	2	1	8	3	5
Bermuda ...	4	0	3	2	12	1

GROUP THIRTEEN (E)

Haiti 2, USA 0
USA 0, Haiti 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Haiti	**2**	**2**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**4**
USA	2	0	2	0	3	0

GROUP THIRTEEN (F)

Haiti 1 El Salvador 2
El Salvador 0, Haiti 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Haiti	2	1	1	4	2	2
El Salvador .	2	1	1	2	4	2

Play-off:
El Salvador 1, Haiti 0.

GROUP FIFTEEN (1)

Japan 1, Australia 3
South Korea 2, Japan 2
South Korea 1, Australia 2
Australia 1, South Korea 1
Australia 1, Japan 1
Japan 0, South Korea 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Australia ...	4	2	0	7	4	6
South Korea	4	1	1	6	5	4
Japan	4	0	2	4	8	2

Rhodesia 1, Australia 1
Australia 0, Rhodesia 0

Play-off:
Australia 3, Rhodesia 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Australia ...	2	0	0	1	1	2
Rhodesia ...	2	0	0	1	1	2

GROUP FIFTEEN (2)

Israel 4, New Zealand 0
New Zealand 0, Israel 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Israel	2	2	0	6	0	4
New Zealand	2	0	2	0	6	0

GROUP SIXTEEN (A)

Algeria 1, Tunisia 2
Tunisia 0, Algeria 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Tunisia	**2**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**1**	**3**
Algeria	2	0	1	1	2	1

GROUP SIXTEEN (B)

Morocco 1, Senegal 0
Senegal 2, Morocco 1

Play-off:
Morocco 2, Senegal 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Morocco	2	1	1	2	2	2
Senegal	2	1	1	2	2	2

Morocco 0, Tunisia 0
Tunisia 0, Morocco 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Morocco ...	2	0	0	0	0	2
Tunisia	2	0	0	0	0	2

Play-off:
Tunisia 2, Morocco 2
(Morocco qualified on toss of coin.)

GROUP SIXTEEN (C)

Libya 0, Ethiopia 2
Ethiopia 5, Libya 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Ethiopia ...	2	2	0	7	1	4
Libya	2	0	2	1	7	0

GROUP SIXTEEN (D)

Zambia 4, Sudan 2
Sudan 4, Zambia 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Sudan	**2**	**1**	**1**	**6**	**6**	**2**
Zambia	2	1	1	6	6	2

(Sudan qualified, having scored more goals in the second leg.)

GROUP SIXTEEN (E)

Nigeria 1, Cameroons 1
Cameroons 2, Nigeria 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Nigeria	**2**	**1**	**0**	**4**	**3**	**3**
Cameroons...	2	0	1	3	4	1

GROUP SIXTEEN (F)

Nigeria 2, Ghana 1
Ghana 1, Nigeria 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Nigeria	2	1	0	3	2	3
Ghana	2	0	1	2	3	1

GROUP SIXTEEN (G)

Ethiopia 1, Sudan 1
Sudan 3, Ethiopia 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Sudan	2	1	0	4	2	3
Ethiopia ...	2	0	1	2	4	1

GROUP SIXTEEN (H)

Nigeria 2, Sudan 2
Morocco 2, Nigeria 1
Sudan 2, Nigeria 2
Sudan 0, Morocco 0
Morocco 3, Sudan 0
Nigeria 2, Morocco 0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Morocco ...	4	2	1	5	3	5
Nigeria ...	4	1	1	7	6	4
Sudan	4	0	1	4	7	3

SOUTH AMERICAN RESULTS

W/E SEPTEMBER 21

Argentina: (National Championship)—Boca Juniors 3, Platense 1; Quilmes 2, Racing 0; Independiente 2, San Lorenzo 0; River Plate 1, Estudiantes 0; Huracan 0, Desamparados de San Juan 3; San Martin (Mendoza) 3, San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 2; Union de Santa Fe 3, Talleres (Cordoba) 1; Chacarita Juniors 1, Velez Sarsfield 1; Lanus 1, San Martin (Tucuman) 0.

Uruguay: (First Division)—Nacional 1, Cerro 0; River Plate 0, Sudamerica 3; Bella Vista 0, Racing 1; Defensor 1, Liverpool 1; Penarol 1, Danubio 0.

Chile: (National Championship)—Audax Italiano 1, Rangers 1; Union Espanola 2, Magallanes 1; Antofagasta 1, Everton 1; O'Higgins 2, Colo Colo 1; Wanderers 1, Palestino 0; Union Calera 0, Green Cross 0; Universidad Catolica 0, Huachipato 0; La Serena 2, Santiago Morning 1; Universidad de Chile 2, Concepcion 1.

Brazil: (Gomes Pedrosa Cup — National Championship) — America (Rio) 2 Fluminense (Rio) 1; Santa Cruz 2, Flamengo (Rio) 0; Palmeiras (San Paulo) 0, Cruzeiro (B. Horizonte) 1; Bahia 1, Corinthians (San Paulo) 3.

Paraguay: (First Division) — Olimpia 5, San Lorenzo 0; Guarani 2, River Plate 0; Nacional 1, Sportivo Luqueno 0; Rubio Nu 0, Libertad 0.

W/E SEPTEMBER 28

Argentina: (National Championship) — Desamparados San Juan 1, Boca Juniors 1; Velez Sarsfield 2, Quilmes 3; Platense 0, River Plate 0; Chacarita Juniors 1, Independiente 1; San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 2, Union Santa Fe 1; Estudiantes 2, San Lorenzo 3; San Martin (Tucuman) 1, San Martin (Mendoza) 3; Racing 2, Lanus 0; Talleres (Cordoba) 0, Huracan 1.

Uruguay: (First Division) — Nacional 2, Penarol 0; Bella Vista 1, Defensor 0; Rampla Juniors 2, River Plate 2; Danubio 1, Sudamerica 1; Liverpool 2, Cerro 0; **(October 2)**—Penarol 3, Defensor 0; Rampla Juniors 1, Liverpool 1; Bella Vista 1, Sudamerica 0; Nacional 3, River Plate 1; Racing 1, Cerro 0.

Brazil: (Gomes Pedrosa Cup — National Championship) — Fluminense (Rio) 4, Flamengo (Rio) 1; Botafogo (Rio) 2, America (Rio) 1; Santa Cruz 0, Vasco de Gama (Rio) 3; Gremio (Port Alegre) 2, Santos 1; Corinthians (San Paulo) 3, Internacional (Port Alegre) 1; Bahia 2, Palmeiras (San Paulo) 0; Cruzeiro (B. Horizonte) 2, Atletico (M. Gerais) 1; Curitiba 2, Portuguesa de Deportes (San Paulo) 0.

Peru: (First Division)—Universitario de Deportes 2, Alianza Lima 2; Defensor Arica 3, Carlos Minucci 1; Centro Iqueno 1, Atletico Grau 0; Defensor Lima 1, KDT 0; Sport Boys 3, Sporting Cristal 0; Juan Aurich de Chiclana 3, Porvenir Miraflores 1; Deportivo Municipal 1, Octavio Espinosa 0.

Colombia: (Presidencia Cup)—Deportivo Cali 1, Deportes Tolima 0; Junior de Barranquilla 1, Millionarios de Bogota 0; Santa Fe 2, Dep. Pereira 2; Cucuta 4, Union Magdalena 0; Once Caldas 6, Atletico Bucaramanga 2; Medellin 1, Atletico Nacional 3; America de Cali 3, Deportivo Quindio 2.

Paraguay: (First Division) — Guarani 4, Olimpia 0.

Mexico: Universidad 1, Torreon 1; Atlas 1, Oro 1; America 1, Cruz Azul 4; Leon 1, Guadalajara 1; Toluca 1, Pachuca 1; Irapuato 0, Nexaca 1; Veracruz 1, Monterrey 0; Laguna 0, Atlante 1.

Chile: Colo Colo 4, La Serena 0; Antofagasta 0, Audaz Italiano 0; Magallanes 3, O'Higgins 1; Universitario Chile 2, Union Calera 3; Huachipato 1, Palestino 1; Green Cross 1, Universidad Catolica 2; Santiago Morning 2, Concepcion 1.

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Mexico: Guadalajara 1, Veracruz 1; Nexaca 2, Leon 1; Oro 4, America 2; Monterrey 0, Toluca 3; Pachuca 0, Atlas 0; Atlante 3, Irapuato 1; Cruz Azul 0, Torreon 0; Laguna 2, Universidad 2.

Venezuela: Anzoategui 3, Lara 0; Portugal 1, Galicia 4; Valencia 1, Italia 1; Zulia 0, Canarias 4.

Paraguay: Guarani 2, Nacional 0; Olimpia 2, Libertad 2; Sol de America 1, San Lorenzo 1; Rubio Nu 0, River Plate 0.

Argentina: (National Championship)—River Plate 7, Sportivo Desamparados San Juan 0; San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 2, Platense 0; Union Santa Fe 1, San Martin (Tucuman) 1; Huracan 5, San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 0; Quilmes 4, Chacarita Juniors 1; Lanus 1, Velez Sarsfield 2; San Martin (Mendoza) 1, Racing 1; Boca Juniors 6, Talleres (Cordoba) 0.

Uruguay: (First Division) — Penarol 4, Rampla Juniors 0; Sudamerica 1, Cerro 0; Bella Vista 1, River Plate 1; Defensor 2, Danubio 2; Nacional 0, Racing 0.

Brazil: (Gomes Pedrosa Cup — National Championship) — Flamengo (Rio) 3, Vasco de Gama (Rio) 1; Atletico (Bello Horizonte) 2, America (Rio) 0; Curitiba 1, Fluminense (Rio) 1; Santos 2, Cruzeiro (Bello Horizonte) 3; Gremio (Port Alegre) 1, Corinthians (San Paulo) 0. **Brazil Cup Final** (1968 edition) —Botafogo (Rio) 4, Fortaleza de Ceara 0.

Chile: (National Championship) — Antofagasta 3, Union Espanola 1; La Serena 1, Magallanes 1; Rangers 1, O'Higgins 1; Everton 1, Audax Italiano 1; Colo Colo 2, Concepcion 1; Green Cross 2, Palestino 2; Santiago Morning 3, La Calera 1; Huachipato 1, Wanderers 1.

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Paraguay: Cerro Porteno 2, San Lorenzo 1; Libertad 1, Nacional 1; Sportivo Luqueno 1, Rubio 0; Guarani 1, Sol de America 0.

Mexico: America 1, Pachuca 1; Atlas 2, Monterrey 2; Universidad 0, Cruz Azul 0; Leon 1, Atlante 0; Toluca 2, Guadalajara 2; Irapuato 0, Laguna 0; Veracruz 0, Nexaca 0; Torreon 1, Oro 0.

Argentina: (National Championship)—Quilmes 0, Independiente 2; Velez Sarsfield 1, San Martin (Mendoza) 1; Platense 3, Estudiantes 4; Sportivo Desamparados (San Juan) 2, San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 3; Racing 2, Union Santa Fe 1; Chacarita Juniors 2, Lanus 0; Talleres (Cordoba) 2, River Plate 2; San Martin (Tucuman) 0, Huracan 2; San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 0, Boca Juniors 1. **(October 15)**—San Martin (Mendoza 0, Chacarita Juniors 3; Boca Juniors 4, San Martin (Tucuman) 1; San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 5, Talleres (Cordoba) 2; Lanus 4, Quilmes 0; River Plate 4, San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 1; Independiente 1, Platense 1; Estudiantes 4, Desamparados San Juan 0; Union Santa Fe 0, Velez Sarsfield 0.

Uruguay: (First Division) — Nacional 3, Danubio 1; Racing 1, Defensor 1; Bella Vista 3, Liverpool 1; Penarol 3, Cerro 2; Sudamerica 1, Rampla Juniors 1.

Brazil: (Gomes Pedrosa Cup — National Championship) — Botafogo (Rio) 1, San Paulo 0; Internacional (Port Alegre) 3, Santos 0; Bahia 0, America (Rio) 4 **(October 15)**—Santos 6, Portuguesa de Deportes 2.

Chile: (National Championship) — Colo Colo 0, Audax Italiano 0; Antofagasta 2, Rangers 0; Everton 5, Magallanes 1; Union Espanola 1, La Serena 0; Universidad Catolica 2, Palestino 2; Wanderers 1, La Calera 0; Green Cross 8, Santiago Morning 0; Universidad de Chile 2, O'Higgins 1.

Peru: (First Division)—Defensor Arica 0, Juan Aurich 0; Deportivo Municipal 3, Porvenir Miraflores 1; Alianza Lima 3, Sport Boys 2; Universitario de Deportes 3, Sporting Cristal 2; Defensor Lima 1, Atletico Grau 1; KDT 3, Carlos Minucci 2; Centro Iqueno 2, Octavio Espinosa de Ica 2.

Colombia: (First Division—Presidencia Cup) — Deportivo Cali 2, Deportivo Pereira 1; Millionarios de Bogota 1, Nacional 0; America de Cali 4, Bucamaranga 0; Santa Fe 3, Magdalena 0; Cucuta 4, Medellin 4; Juniors 3, Once Caldas 0.

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Mexico: Oro 1, Cruz Azul 0; Atlante 5, Veracruz 1; Guadalajara 5, Atlas 1; Monterrey 1, America 1; Nexaca 0, Toluca 0; Pachuca 1, Torreon 1; Irapuato 0, Universidad 1; Laguna 1, Leon 1.

Argentina (National Championship)—Racing 1, Boca Juniors 2; Chacarita Juniors 1, Union Santa Fe 1; San Martin (Tucuman) 1, River Plate 1; Sportivo Desamparados (San Juan) 3, Platense 0; Velez Sarsfield 0, Huracan 0; Lanus 1, Independiente 3; San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 0, San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 2; Quilmes 7, San Martin (Mendoza) 1.

Uruguay (First Division)—Nacional 1, Rampla Juniors 1; Penarol 0, Bella Vista 0; River Plate 3, Defensor 0; Danubio 0, Cerro 0; Liverpool 0, Racing 9. **(October 22)**—Penarol 2, Racing 1; Danubio 0, Bella Vista 1; Defensor 0, Sudamerica 0; Rampla Juniors 1, Cerro 1. **(October 23)**—River Plate 1, Liverpool 0.

Chile (National Championship)—Colo Colo 3, Audax-Italiano 1; La Serena 4, Union Espanola 2; Rangers 4, Antofagasta 1; Universidad de Chile 1, Santiago Morning 0; Wanderers 2, Universidad Catolica 1; Huachipato 1, Union Calera 1; O'Higgins 1, Palestino 0.

Brazil (National Championship/Gomes Pedrosa Cup)—Vasco de Gama 0, America 0; Santos 1, Corinthians 1; Portuguesa de Desportes 2, San Paulo 1; Fluminense 2, Palmeiras 0; Gremio 0, Botafogo 0; Santa Cruz 3, Athletico 1; Curitiba 0, Bahia 0; Cruzeiro 2, Flamengo 2. **(October 21)**—Santos 6, Portuguesa de Desportes 2. **(October 23)**—Curitiba 1, Santos 3.

Paraguay: Guarani 1, Cerro Porteno 0; Sportivo Luqueno 2, San Lorenzo 0; Rubio Nu 0, River Plate 0.

Colombia (First Division/Presidencias Cup): Deportivo Cali 0, Millionarios de Bogota 2.

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Argentina (National Championship): Boca Juniors 1, Velez Sarsfield 0; San Martin (Mendoza) 0, Lanus 0; San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 5, San Martin (Tucuman) 0; Platense 4, Talleres (Cordoba) 1; Huracan 2, Chacarita Juniors 0; River Plate 1, Racing Club 0; Estudiantes 3, San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 1; Union Santa Fe 0, Quilmes 1; Independiente 4, Desamparados (San Juan) 1. **(October 29)**—Independiente 4, Estudiantes 0.

Uruguay: (First Division)—Penarol 1, River Plate 0; Nacional 4, Defensor 1; Bella Vista 4, Rampla Juniors 0; Danubio 2, Racing Club 1; Sudamerica 2, Liverpool 0.

Chile: (National Championship)—La Serena 0 Colo Colo 0; O'Higgins 3, Magallanes 1; Union Espanola 0, Rangers 0; Audax-Italiano 4, Antofagasta 0; Universidad Catolica 4, Green Cross 1; Universidad de Chile 2, La Calera 0; Concepcion 1, Santiago Morning 0; Palestino 4, Huachipato 1; Wanderers 3, Everton 0.

Brazil (National Championship/Gomes Pedrosa Cup)—Fluminense 0, Santos 0; Corinthians 2, Vasco de Gama 1; Palmeiras 3, Botafogo 0; Portuguesa de Desportes 1, Gremio 1; Cruzeiro 2, San Paulo 0; Atletico 3, Bahia 1; Internacional 1, Flamengo 2; Curitiba 2, America 0. **(October 30)**—Corinthians 2, Botafogo 0; Gremio 1, Curitiba 0; America 1, Santos 1; Portuguesa de Desportes 0, Santa Cruz 0.

Peru (First Division)—Sporting Cristal 1, KDT Nacional 1; Centro Iqueno 1, Universitario de Desportes 1; Sport Boys 2, Porvenir Miraflores 1; Defensor Arica 1, Defensor Lima 1; Octavio Espinoza re Ico 1, Juan Aurich de Chiclana 1; Miguel Grau de Piura 1, Carlos Manucci de Trujillo 0.

Paraguay (First Division)—Sportivo Luqueno 1, Guarani 0; Nacional 1, Olimpia 0; Libertad 1, Cerro Porteno 0; River Plate 2, Sol de America 0; Rubio Nu 1, San Lorenzo 0.

French forward Braz (left) scores the first goal in the 3-0 beating of Sweden in Colombes. (UPI)

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Argentina (National Championship)—Chacarita Juniors 0, Boca Juniors 1; Quilmes 0, Huracan 1; San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 0, Platense 2; Lanus 1, Union Santa Fe 1; Racing Club 1, San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 3; San Martin (Mendoza) 0, Independiente 2; Talleres (Cordoba) 2, Desamparados (San Juan) 0; San Martin (Tucuman) 1, Estudiantes 0; Velez Sarsfield 0, River Plate 1. **(November 5)**—Talleres (Cordoba) 2, Estudiantes 1.

Uruguay (First Division)—Penarol 2, Sudamerica 1; River Plate 2, Danubio 1; Racing 2, Rampla Juniors 1; Defensor 0, Cerro 0; Nacional 3, Liverpool 1.

Chile (National Championship)—La Serena 3, Magallanes 2; Union Espanola 1, Antofagasta 0; Rangers 2, O'Higgins 0; Everton 4, Audax-Italiano 2; Colo Colo 2, Green Cross 1; Palestino 2, Concepcion 1; Huachipato 2, Universidad de Chile 1; Wanderers 5, Santiago 0, Morning 1; Universidad Catolica 6, La Calera 1.

Brazil (National Championship/Gomes Pedrosa Cup)—Santos 4, Flamengo 1; Internacional 2, Vasco de Gama 0; Cruzeiro 1, Curitiba 1; Corinthians 2, Fluminense 0; Santa Cruz 2, Botafogo 1; Bahia 2, Portuguesa de Desportes 2. **(November 5)**—Corinthians 4, Santos 1. **(November 7)**—Vasco de Gama 1, Gremio 1; Cruzeiro 1, Internacional 0; San Paulo 2, Palmeiras 1; Bahia 2, Botafogo 1.

Peru (First Division)—Universitario 5, Defensor Lima 2; Defensor Arica 1, Minais Grau 0; Sport Boys 1, KDT 0; Deportivo Municipal 1, Juan Aurich 0; Carlos Manucci 2, Centro Iqueno 0; Porvenir Miraflores 1, Octavio Espinoza 1; Sporting Cristal 1, Alianza 0.

Colombia (First Division/Presidencia Cup)—Santa Fe 0, Deportivo Cali 1; America 1, Juniors 1; Nacional 1, Once Caldas 2; Union Magdalena 2, Medellin 2; Deportivo Periera 0, Quindio 0; Cucuta 0, Millionarios 1; Tolima 1, Bucaramanga 0.

Mexico: Monterrey 1, Cruz Azul 1; Oro 3, Pachuca 1; Leon 3, Universidad 2; Atlante 2, Atlas 1; Veracruz 1, Irapuato 1; Laguna 0, Toluca 0; Nexaca 0, America 0; Guadalajara 1, Torreon 0.

W/E NOVEMBER 9

Argentina (National Championship)—Boca Juniors 3, Quilmes 0; Independiente 1, Talleres (Cordoba) 0; San Lorenzo, (Buenos Aires) 1, Velez Sarsfield 1; Huracan 0, Lanus 1; Estudiantes 2, Racing Club 2; Platense 2, San Martin (Tucuman) 2; Desamparados 5, San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 2; Union Santa Fe 2, San Martin (Mendoza) 2; River Plate 5, Chacarita Juniors 2. **(November 12)**—Manus 1, Boca Juniors 2; Chacarita Juniors 1, San Lorenzo (Buenos Aires) 1; San Martin (Mendoza) 2, Huracan 2; San Martin (Tucuman) 3, Desamparados (San Juan) 2; San Lorenzo (Mar del Plata) 1, Talleres (Cordoba) 3; Union Santa Fe 1, Independiente 4; Quilmes 0, River Plate 1; Velez Sarsfield 0, Estudiantes 1; Racing Club 2, Platense 1.

Uruguay (First Division)—Nacional 2, Sudamerica 1; River Plate 3, Racing 3; Cerro 1, Bella Vista 0; Rampla Juniors, Danubio 1; Penarol 0, Liverpool 0. **(November 12)**—Nacional 1, Bella Vista 1; Defensor 1, Rampla Juniors 0; Racing 2, Sudamerica 0; Liverpool 1, Danubio 1; Cerro 0, River Plate 0.

Brazil (National Championship/Gomes Pedrosa Cup)—Portuguesa de Desportes 2, Atletico 2; Cruzeiro 1, Vasco de Gama 0; Flamengo 1, Botafogo 3; Internacional 1, Fluminense 1; Curitiba 1, Palmeiras 3; Bahia 1, Gremio 0; Santos 1, San Paulo 1.

Peru (First Division)—Porvenir Miraflores 3, Defensor Lima 4; Sporting Cristal 1, Carlos Manucci 0; Municipal 4, Centro Iqueno 1; Alianza Lima 1, Espinoza 1; Defensor Arica 2, KDT 0; Sport Boys 2, Atletico Grau 1; Juan Aurich 3, Universitario 0.

Venezuela: Galicia 1, Aragua 1; Valencia 7, Aragua 1; Canarias 1, Italia 0; Anzoategui 2, Portugues 1.

Colombia (First Division/Presidencia Cup)—Millionarios 0, Deportivo Pereira 1; America 2, Santa Fe 0; Medellin 1, Cali 3; Baranquilla Juniors 4, Nacional 1; Once Caldas 0, Tolima 0; Deportivo Quindio 3, Union Magdalena 0; Bucaramanga 1, Cucuta 2.

Paraguay (First Division)—Cerro Porteno 2, River Plate 0; Olimpio 0, Sol de America 0; Sportivo Luqueno 1, Libertad 1.

Chile (National Championship)—Magallanes 0, Union Espanola 3; Colo Colo 2, O'Higgins 0; Everton 4, Antofagasta 2; Rangers 1, Audax-Italiano 2; Santiago Morning 1, Huachipato 3; Universidad de Chile 0, Green Cross 0; Concepcion 1, Wanderers 1; Union Calera 2, Palestino 2; La Serena 3, Universidad Catolica 1.

Mexico: Atlante 2, America 1; Toluca 0, Irapuato 0; Cruz Azul 0, Guadalajara 0; Torreon 3, Nexaca 1; Veracruz 3, Leon 1; Atlas 1, Laguna 0; Universidad 0, Pachuca 1; Oro 0, Monterrey 2.

EUROPEAN RESULTS

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Switzerland: Biel 2, Young Boys 0; Fribourg 1, Zurich 2; Grasshoppers 3, La Chaux-de-Fonds 0; Lugano 2, Basle 1; St. Gallen 2, Bellinzona 0; Servette 2, Winterthur 3; Wettingen 0, Lausanne 1.

West Germany: MSV Duisberg 1, Eintracht Frankfurt 1; Rotweiss Essen 1, Hanover 96 0; TSV 1860 Munchen 0, Borussia Monchengladbach 3; Alemannia Aachen 1, Bayern Munchen 3; Eintracht Brunswick 1, Borussia Dortmund 1; Hertha BSC 3, Schalke 04 0; Werder Bremen 3, Kaiserslautern 2; VfB Stuttgart 4, Rotweiss Oberhausen 2; Koln 3, Hamburger SV 0.

Northern Ireland: Ards 2, Crusaders 1; Cliftonville 0, Bangor 1; Coleraine 1, Glenavon 3; Distillery 1, Ballymena 0; Glentoran 1, Derry 0; Portadown 1, Linfield 2.

Sweden: AIK Stockholm 0, IFK Norrkoping 1; Elfsborg Boras 0, Djurgaarden 2; IFK Goteborg 6, Sirius Uppsala 3; Malmo FF 3, Oerebro SK 2; IK Atvidaberg 4, GAIS Goteborg 2; Oester Vaxjo 6, Jonkoping Sodra 0.

Norway: Lyn Oslo 0, Start 2; Rosenborg 0, Viking 1; Skeid 0, Fredrikstad 1; Sarpsborg 1, Hodd 3; Brann 2, Stromgodset 1.

Italy: Bari 0, Sampdoria 0; Fiorentina 0, Torino 0; Juventus 2, Inter-Milan 1; Vicenza 3, Verona 0; Napoli 0, Cagliari 2; Palermo 1, Brescia 3; Roma 2, Lazio 1.

France: Angers 3, Ajaccio 2; Sochaux 3, St. Etienne 3; Bordeaux 1, Rouen 1; Nimes 2, Metz 1; Marseille 2, Strasbourg 0; Bastia 4, Rennes 0; Red Star 0, Angouleme 0; Sedan 4, Nantes 0; Lyon 1, Valenciennes 0.

Austria: Voest Liz 1, Wiener SK 0; Vienna 0, Linz ASK 0; Grazer AK 3, Wacker Wien 1; Rapid 2, Sturm Graz 1; Eisenstadt 0, Wacker Innsbruck 4; Admira 1, Dornbirn 0; Wattens 0, Austria Salzburg 1; Austria Klagenfurt 1, Austria Wien 2; (Midweek)—Austria Wien 2, Linz ASK 0.

Denmark: B 1903 Copenhagen 3, Ebsjerg 1; Frem Copenhagen 2, KB Copenhagen 2; Aalborg 1, Hvidovre 4; Vejle 2, B 1901 Nykoping 0; B 1909 Odense 2, Horsens 2; Akademisk 4, B 1913 Odense 1.

Holland: ADO 5, SVV 0; MVV 0, Telstar 0; Go Ahead 1, DWS 0; Sparta 1, NAC 2; NEC 0, Feijenoord 2; Ajax 4, DOS Utrecht 0; AZ'67 0, Twente 1; Haarlem 0, PSV Eindhoven 1; GVAV 0, Holland Sport 2.

Portugal: Benfica 8, Boavista 0; Varzim 0, Sporting 0; Belenenses 1, Academica 2; Guimaraes 4, CUF 0; Porto 2, Braga 0; Uniao de Tomar 0; Leixoes 1; Barreirense 2, Setubal 0.

Spain: Atletico Bilbao 1, Coruna 0; Valencia 1, Granada 0; Sabadell 1, Elche 2; Sevilla 3, Barcelona 0; Real Sociedad 1, Real Madrid 2; Atletico Madrid 2, Zaragossa 0.

Belgium: Union St. Gilloise 0, La Gantoise 4; Standard Liege 2, SC Charleroi 1; Lierse SK 2, Beveren 1; FC Bruges 3, Racing White 0; St. Trond 1, Beringen 1; Waregem 2, Ostende 1; Beerschot 4, FC Liege 0; Crossing 1, Anderlecht 1. (Midweek)—Crossing 2, Waregem 2; Beringen 0, Lierse SK 0.

Czechoslovakia: Lokomotiv Kosice 4, Banik Ostrava 0; Sparta Prague 1, Tatran Presov 0; SONP Kladno 0, VSS Kosice 0; Gottwaldov 2, Jednota Trencin 2; Union Teplice 3, ZVL Zilina 0; Spartak Trnava 2, Slavia Prague 0.

Hungary: Ujpest Dosza 1, Ferencvaros 1; Csepel 2, Salgotarjan 3; MTK 0, Raba ETO Gyor 0; Honved 1, Vasas 3; Szombathely 3, Eger 0; Egyetertes 3, Pecs 0; Komlo 1, Tatabanya 1; Dunaujvaros 3, Diosgyor 0.

East Germany: Vorwaerts 1, Chemie Leipzig 1; Carl Zeiss Jena 1, Sachsenring Zwickau 1; Magdeburg 3, Karl-Marx-Stadt 1; Wismut Aue 0, Stahl Eisenhuttenstadt 0; Stahl Riesa 1, Dynamo Berlin 1; Hansa Rostock 1, Rot-Weiss Erfurt 2.

Luxembourg: Avenir Beggen 0, Jeunesse Esch 4; Red Boys Differdingen 3, Union Luxembourg 2; Bad Mondorf 3, Spora Luxembourg 4; Petingen 1, Stade 0; Dudelingen 1, Rumelingen 4; Aris Bonneweg 1, Progres Niedercorn 1.

Yugoslavia: Radnicki Kra. 1, OFK Belgrade 3; Sloboda 2, Bor 0; Dinamo Zagreb 2; Zeleznicar 2; Partizan 1, Velez Mostar 2; Radnicki Nis 3, Vardar Skoplje 1; Vojvodina 2, Celik Zenica 1; Olimpija Ljubljana 1, Red Star 2; Sarajevo 4, Maribor 0; Hajduk 5, Zagreb 0.

Greece: Olympiakos Nikosia 1, Panathinaikos 3; Iraklis 2, Ethnikos 0; PAOK 6, Vyzas 1; Panachaiki 1, Aris 0; Panserakos 1, Kavala 0; AEK Athens 3,

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Rumania: Universitatea Craiova 4 UT Arad 1; Arges Pitesti 3 CFR Cluj 0; Steagul rosu 4 Steaua Bucharest 2; Dinamo Bacau 1 ASA Tirgu-Mures 0; Farul Constanta 1 Dinamo Bucharest 2; Petrolul Ploesti 2 Politehnica Iassi 1; Universitatea Cluj 3 Crisual Oradea 3; Rapid Bucharest 4 Jiul Petroseni 3.

Russia: Spartak Moscow 2 Tschernomorez Odessa 1; Zenit Leningrad 1 Dynamo Moscow 2; Neftschi Baku 3 Torpedo Kutaisi 2; Sarja Lugansk 1 Torpedo Moscow 0; Schachtjor Donezk 2 CSKA Moscow 0; SKA Rostow 0, Dynamo Tbilisi 1; Dynamo Kiev 3 Dynamo Minsk 0.

W/E NOVEMBER 2

Spain: Pontevedra 0, Atletico Bilbao 2; Celta Vigo 0, Granada 1; Real Madrid 1, Sabadell 0; Barcelona 1, Atletico Madrid 2; La Coruna 0, Real Sociedad 2; Elche 5, Sevilla 0; Real Zaragossa 1, Valencia 1; Las Palmas 3, Mallorca 1.

Yugoslavia: Red Star 2, Vojvodina 0; Bor 0, Partizan 0; Vardar 1, Dinamo 0; OFK Belgrade 1, Sloboda 0; Maribor 3, Olimpija 2; Celik 1, Radnicki Kra. 1; Zeleznicar 1, Hajduk 0; Zagreb 0, Sarajevo 1; Velez 1, Radnicki Nis 0.

West Germany: Bayern Munchen 1, Hertha BSC 2; Borussia Monchengladbach 5, Alemannia Aachen 1; Borussia Dortmund 2, Werder Bremen 1; Schalke 04 1, VfB Stuttgart 2; Kaiserslautern 0, MSV Duisberg 2; Hamburger SV 2, Hannover 96 0; Eintracht Brunswick 0, Rotweiss Essen 0; Eintracht Frankfurt 4, TSV 1860 Munchen 3; Rotweiss Oberhausen 0, Koln 2.

Belgium: Anderlecht 0, Beerschot 1; FC Leige 3, Lierse SK 2; La Gantoise 4, St. Trond 1; Ostende 2, Crossing Schaarbeek 0; Beringen 0, Union St. Gilloise 0; SC Charleroi 3, FC Bruges 1; Beveren 0, Standard Liege 0; Racing White 2, Waregem 0.

Holland: Feijenoord 1, Ajax 0; ADO 1, GVAV Groningen 0; Telstar 1, Go Ahead 1; DWS 0, Sparta 2; SVV Schiedam 3, MVV Maastricht 7; NAC Breda 0, NEC Nijmegen 0; DOS Utrecht 0, AZ'67 Alkmaar 2; Twente 1, Haarlem 0; PSV Eindhoven 4, Holland Sport 1.

Northern Ireland: Ballymena 1, Ards 2; Bangor 0, Coleraine 1; Crusaders 6, Portadown 2; Derry 4, Distillery 1; Glenavon 2, Cliftonville 1; Linfield 0, Glentoran 2.

Poland: GKS Katovice 3, Pogon 0; Legia 2, Cracovia 0; Odra Opole 0, Ruch Chorzow 3; Szombierki 0, Gornik 2; Zaglebie Walbrzych 0, Polonia 2; Wisla 1, Gwardia 0; Zaglebie Sosnowiec 1, Stal 2.

Denmark: B 1901 Nykobing 2, B 1909 Odense 4; B 1913 Odense 0, B 1903 Copenhagen 4; Esbjerg 1, Akademik 2; Horsens 3, Frem 0; Hvidovre 3, Vejle 4; KB Copenhagen 3, Aalborg 0.

East Germany: Vorwaerts 2, Chemie Halle 1; Chemie Leipzig 1, Dynamo Berlin 0; Karl-Marx-Stadt 2, Hansa Rostock 0; Dynamo Dresden 1, Carl Zeiss Jena 2; Rot-Weiss Erfurt 2, Wismut Aue 2; Sachsenring Zwickau 2, Magdeburg 1; Stahl Eisenhuttenstadt 0, Stahl Riesa 2.

Bulgaria: CSKA 4, Levski-Spartak 2; Trakia 1, Etar 1; Tchernomorez 1, Tcherno more 1; CSJ Slavia 2, Beroe 2; Lokomotiv 2, Akademik 1; Botev 1, Dunav 0; Spartak 1, Krakra 0; Marek 2, Maritza 0. (Midweek)—Levski-Spartak 4, Botev Vratza 0; Krakra 0, CSKA 3; Beroe 0, Trakia 1; Tcherno more 3, Spartak Pleven 0; Dunav 1, Lokomotiv 0; Maritza 1, CSJ Slavia 0; Etar 2, Tchernomorez 1; Akademik 2, Marek 0.

Russia: Dynamo Kiev 0, Spartak Moscow 1; CSKA Moscow 0, Torpedo Moscow 1; Tschernomorez Odessa 2, Schachtjor Donezk 0; Zenit Leningrad 1, Neftschi Baku 0; Torpedo Kutaisi 3, SKA Rostow 3; Dynamo Tbilisi 2, Sarja Lugansk 0.

Eire: St. Patrick's Athletic 2, Drumcondra 0; Limerick 1, Shamrock Rovers 0; Cork Hibernians 1, Drogheda 0; Dundalk 2, Sligo Rovers 0; Waterford 1, Athlone 0; Shelbourne 1, Cork Celtic 1; Finn Harps 2, Bohemians 0.

Czechoslovakia: Dukla Prague 1, Slavia Prague 1; ZVL Zilina 1, Spartak Trnava 1; VSS Kosice 1, SKLO Union Teplice 1; Inter Bratislava 2, SONP Kladno 1; Banik Ostrava 0, Slovan Bratislava 0; Jednota Trencin 0, Lokomotiv Kosice 0; Tatran Presov 0, TJ Gottwaldov 0; Bohemians Prague 1, Sparta Prague 5.

Rumania: Dinamo Bucharest 6, UT Arad 0; Politehnica Iassi 1, Arges Pitesti 0; Crisul Oradea 3, Steagul rosu 1; ASA Tirgu-Mures 2, Rapid Bucharest 0; Jiul Petroseni 1, Universitatea Craiova 1; Faul Constanta 4, Dinamo Bacau 0; Steaua Bucharest 2, Universitatea Cluj 1; CFR Cluj 2, Petrolul Ploesti 1.

France: Valenciennes 0, Nimes 2; Metz 4, Bordeaux 1; Rennes 3, Sedan/RCP 3; Ajaccio 1, Sochaux 0; St. Etienne 4, Bastia 2; Angouleme 1, Lyon 1; Rouen 5, Angers 0; Nantes 2, Marseille 1; Strasbourg 5, Red Star Paris 0.

Greece: OF Iraklion 2, Olympiakos Piraus 0; Pierikos 3, Olympiakos Nikosia 0; Proodeftiki 1, Olympiakos Wolos 0; Aris 0, PAOK 0; Aegaleo 1, Panathinaikos 3; Vyzas 1, AEK Athens 4; Ethnikos 1, Panseraikos 1; Iraklis 2, Panachaiki 1; Kavala 1, Panionios 1.

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Switzerland: Basle 2, Servette 2; Bellinzona 1, Lugano 0; La Chaux-de-Fonds 3, Wettingen 1; Lausanne 2, St. Gallen 2; Winterthur 2, Fribourg 3; Young Boys 1, Grasshoppers 0; Zurich 2, Biel 0.

West Germany: MSV Duisberg 0, Borussia Dortmund 1; TSV 1860 Munchen 0, Kaiserslautern 1; Werder Bremen 0, Eintracht Brunswick 1; VfB Stuttgart 2, Bayern Munchen 3; Alemannia Aachen 2, Eintracht Frankfurt 1; Koln 8, Schalke 04 0; Hertha BSC 1, Borussia Monchengladbach 1; Rotweiss Essen 2, Hamburger SV 2; Hannover 96 2, Rotweiss Oberhausen 1.

Czechoslovakia: Sparta 0, Dukla 3; Spartak Trnava 3, VSS Kosice 2; TJ Gottwaldov 1, Bohemians 0; Lokomotiv Kosice 0, Tatran Presov 1; SKLO Union Teplice 0, Inter Bratislava 0; Slovan Bratislava 1, Jednota Trencin 0; SONP Kladno 0, Banik Ostrava 0; Slavia 3, ZVL Zilina 2.

Italy: Bologna 2, Fiorentina 2; Cagliari 1, Roma 0; Inter-Milan 0, AC Milan 0; Lazio 1, Vicenza 0; Napoli 1, Juventus 0; Sampdoria 2, Brescia 0; Torino 0, Bari 1; Verona 2, Palermo 0.

East Germany: Carl Zeiss Jena 3, Vorwaerts Berlin 1; Chemie Halle 3, Chemie Leipzig 1; Wismut Aue 2, Karl-Marx-Stadt 1; Magdeburg 1, Dynamo Dresden 1; Hansa Rostock 2, Sachsenring Zwickau 0; Stahl Riesa 4, Rot-Weiss Erfurt 2.

France: Lyon 4, Rennes 4; Bastia 2, Strasbourg 1; Bordeaux 2, Ajaccio 1; Nimes 6, Rouen 1; Sedan/RCP 2, Angouleme 0; Valenciennes 0, Metz 0; Sochaux 0, Nantes 0 (abandoned after 60 minutes).

Austria: Austria Salzburg 2, Rapid 1; Austria Wien 1, Eisenstadt 0; Sturm Graz 1, Grazer AK 1; Wacker Wien 1, Austria Klagenfurt 1; Linz ASK 2, Admira 0; Wacker Innsbruck 5, Voest 0; Wiener Sportklub 4, Vienna 1; Dornbirn 1, Wattens 1.

Spain: Atletico Bilbao 3, Las Palmas 0; Sabadell 1, Coruna 0; Valencia 0, Barcelona 0; Sevilla 1, Real Madrid 0; Celta Vigo 1, Real Zaragossa 0; Real Sociedad 2, Pontevedra 1; Mallorca 4, Granada 6; Atletico Madrid 4, Elche 1.

Portugal: Sporting 1, Benfica 0; Uniao de Tomar 2, Barreirense 2; Setubal 5, Porto 0; Leixoes 1, Academica 0; CUF 0, Belenenses 2; Braga 1, Varzim 2; Boavista 1, Guimaraes 1.

Holland: MVV 2, ADO 0; Go Ahead 1, SVV 0; Sparta 3, Telstar 2; NEC 1, DWS 0; Ajax 2, NAC 1; Haarlem 0, DOS 0; Holland Sport 3, Twente 1; GVAV 0, PSV 3.

Belgium: Union St. Gilloise 2, SC Charleroi 0; Crossing Schaarbeek 2, Beringen 1; AS Ostende 2, FC Liege 2; Waregem 1, Beveren 1; Beerschot 1, La Gantoise 0.

Luxembourg: Union Luxembourg 1, Progres Niedercorn 1; Rumelingen 3, Avenir Beggen 0; Spora 2, Tetingen 0.

Hungary: Raba ETO Gyor 1, Ujpest Dozsa 1; Vasas 0, Szombathely 0; Tatabanya 1, Csepel 1; Ferencvaros 1, Komlo 1; MTK 5, Eger 1; Pecs 1, Honved 2; Diosgyor 1, Egyetertes 1; Salgotarjan 1, Dunaujvaros 0.

Northern Ireland: Bangor 3, Linfield 2; Cliftonville 0, Crusaders 2; Coleraine 3, Ballymena 0; Distillery 5, Glenavon 0; Glentoran 1, Ards 1; Portadown 1, Derry 4.

Rumania: Universitatea Cluj 2, Farul Constanta 0; Petrolul Ploesti 2, Dinamo Bacau 2; Steagul rosu 4, CFR Cluj 1; Jiul Petroseni 2, Politehnica Iassi 0; UT Arad 1, ASA Tirgu-Mures 0; Rapid Bucharest 3, Crisul Oradea 0.

Yugoslavia: Radnicki Kragujevac 0, Red Star 1; Sloboda 1, Celik 0; Partizan 1, OFK Belgrade 1; Radnicki Nis 2, Bor 1; Dinamo 2, Velez 2; Zeleznicar 1, Vardar 0; Vojvodina 3, Maribor 2; Olimpija 1, Zagreb 0; Hajduk 3, Sarajevo 1.

Russia: Dynamo Moscow 0, Dynamo Minsk 0; Neftschi Baku 1, Dynamo Tbilisi 1; Spartak Moscow 1, CSKA Moscow 1; Zenit Leningrad 1, Dynamo Kiev 1.

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Switzerland: Bellinzona 0, Lausanne 0; Biel 1, Winterthur 0; Fribourg 0, Basel 0; Grasshoppers 3, Zurich 1; St. Gallen 0, La Chaux-de-Fonds 1; Servette

1, Lugano 1; Wettingen 4, Young Boys 0.

West Germany: Borussia Dortmund 3, TSV 1860 Munchen 1; Bayern Munchen 1, FC Koln 2; Eintracht Brunswick 2, MSV Duisberg 1; Rotweiss Oberhausen 1, Hamburger SV 3; Werder Bremen 2, Rotweiss Essen 1; Schalke 04 2, Hannover 96 0; Kaiserslautern 3, Alemannia Aachen 1; Borussia Monchengladbach 3, VfB Stuttgart 0; Eintracht Frankfurt 1, Hertha BSC 1.

Northern Ireland: Ards 1, Coleraine 1; Ballymena 1, Portadown 3; Crusaders 2, Glentoran 0; Derry 2, Cliftonville 0; Glenavon 1, Bangor 1; Linfield 3, Distillery 0.

Portugal: Porto 2, Uniao de Tomar 0; Benfica 5, Braga 0; Guimaraes 1, Sporting 2; Varzim 1, Setubal 1; Academica 1, CUF 0; Belenenses 3, Boavista 0.

Austria: Voest Linz 0, Austria Wien 0; Rapid 6, Dornbirn 0; Eisenstadt 5, Wacker Wien 2; Wattens 1, Linz ASK 1; Vienna 2, Austria 1; Grazer AK 4, Austria Salzburg 0; Sportklub 1, Wacker Innsbruck 3; Austria Klagenfurt 1, Sturm Graz 1.

Holland: MVV Maastricht 2, GVAV Groningen 0; ADO Den Haag 0, Go Ahead 0; SVV Schiedam 2, Sparta Rotterdam 2; Telstar 0, NEC Nijmegen 1; DWS Amsterdam 0, Ajax 2; NAC Breda 2, AZ'67 2; Feijenoord 4, Haarlem 0; DOS Utrecht 0, Holland Sport 1; Twente 1, PSV Eindhoven 1.

Italy: Brescia 1, Bologna 1; Cagliari 1, Juventus 1; Fiorentina 3, Bari 0; Vicenza 1, Inter-Milan 1; AC Milan 1, Napoli 0; Palermo 1, Lazio 1; Roma 3, Sampdoria 3; Torino 2, Verona 1.

France: Rouen 3, Valenciennes 3; Nantes 1, Red Star Paris 1; St. Etienne 2, Bordeaux 0; Marseille 4, Lyon 1; Ajaccio 1, Nimes 0; Rennes 1, Angers 0; Angouleme 5, Bastia 1; Strasbourg 2, Sedan 3; Metz 1, Sochaux 2.

Czechoslovakia: Slovan Bratislava 0, Tatran Presov 0; SONP Kladno 2, Jednota Trencin 1; Spartak Trnava 1, Inter Bratislava 0; Lokomotiv Kosice 4, Bohemians 1; TJ Gottwaldov 0, Sparta Prague 2; SKLO Union Teplice 2, Banik Ostrava 0; Slavia Prague 3, VSS Kosice 2; Dukla Prague 0, ZVL Zilina 0.

Hungary: Csepel 1, Ferencvaros 1; Egyetertes 1, Salgotarjan 1; Komlo 0, Raba ETO Gyor 0; Dunaujvaros 0, Tatabanya 2; Szombathely 1, Pecs 1; Eger 2, Vasas 1; Ujpest Dozsa 6 MTK 1; Honved 1, Diosgyor 0.

Belgium: FC Bruges 1, Standard Liege 1; Anderlecht 2, Union St. Gilloise 2; Racing White 0, St. Trond 1; FC Liege 4, Crossing Scharbeek 0; Lierse SK 3, La Gantoise 1; Beringen 2, Waregem 0; Beveren 1, Beerschot 0; SC Charleroi 1, Ostende 0.

Spain: Real Madrid 1, Atletico Madrid 1; Pontevedra 2, Sabadell 1; Barcelona 2, Celta Vigo 1; Atletico Bilbao 1, Real Sociedad 0; Coruna 3, Sevilla 0; Real Zaragossa 2, Mallorca 1.

Yugoslavia: Maribor 1, Radnicki Kra. 0; Red Star 3, Sloboda 1; Celik 1, Partizan 3; OFK Belgrade 2, Radnicki Nis 0; Bor 1, Dinamo 1; Velez 2, Zeleznicar 2; Vardar 1, Hajduk 0; Zagreb 0, Vojvodina 0.

Luxembourg: Avenir Beggen 2, Stade Dudelingen 3; Bad Mondorf 0, Union Luxembourg 9; Tetingen 2, Red Boys Differdingen 2; US Dudelingen 1, Sporta Luxembourg 1; Aris Bonneweg 1, US Rumelingen 4; Progres Niedercorn 2, Jeunesse Esch 2.

Russia: (Midweek)—Dynamo Kiev 4 Zenit Leningrad 0; CSKA Moscow 0 Dynamo Minsk 0; CSKA Moscow 0 Spartak Moscow 1.

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Portugal: Leixoes 1, CUF 0; Setubal 1, Benfica 0; Uniao de Tomar 0, Varzim 2; Barreirense 1, Porto 1; Boavista 2, Academica 2; Braga 2, Guimaraes 1; Sporting 2, Belenenses 1.

Rumania: ASA Tirgu-Mures 3, Steagul rosu 0; Farul 1, Jiul 0; Dinamo Bacau 2, Universitatea Cluj 1; Dinamo Bucharest 0, Rapid 2; Crisul 2, Politehnica 0; Steaua 0, Arges 0; Universitatea Craiova 2, Petrolul 1; CFR Cluj 1, UT Arad 0. (Midweek)—CFR Cluj 0, Dinamo Bacau 0.

Austria: Austria Wien 2, Wiener Sportklub 0; Wacker Innsbruck 3, Vienna 1; Sturm Graz 0, Eisenstadt 2; Austria Salzburg 4, Austria Klagenfurt 0; Linz ASK 0, Rapid 1; Dornbirn 2, Grazer AK 0; Wacker Wien 4, Voest Linz 1; Admira 3, Wattens 1.

Northern Ireland: Bangor 3, Ballymena 4; Cliftonville 0, Ards 2; Coleraine 3, Linfield 1; Distillery 4, Crusaders 3; Glenavon 1, Derry 1; Glentoran 2, Portadown 1.

Czechoslovakia: Bohemians Prague 0, Slovan Bratislava 0; Banik Ostrava 0, Spartak Trnava 3; Inter Bratislava 3, Slavia Prague 0; Jednota Trencin 1, SKLO Union Teplice 0; Sparta Prague 1, Lokomotiv Kosice 0; VSS Kosice 2, ZVL Zilina 0; TJ Gottwaldov 3, Dukla Prague 2; Tatran Presov 3, SONP Kladno 0.

Bulgaria: Tcherno more 0, Krakia 1; Levski-Spartak 1, Spartak 0; Dunav 0, CSKA 2; Lokomotiv 1, Botev 0; Beroe 3, Marek 1; Krakra 0, Tchernomorez 1; Etar 0, CSJ Slavia 0; Akademik 2, Maritza 1.

Spain: Sabadell 1, Atletico Bilbao 2; Mallorca 3, Barcelona 2; Atletico Madrid 2, Coruna 0; Valencia 1, Real Madrid 0; Celta Vigo 4, Elche 0; Sevilla 3, Pontevedra 1; Granada 1, Zaragossa 0; Las Pamas 0, Real Sociedad 0.

France: Sedan 0, Marseille 0; Nimes 1, St. Etienne 3; Sochaux 2, Rennes 2; Lyon 0, Strasbourg 1; Angers 2, Angouleme 2; Valenciennes 2, Ajaccio 1; Rouen 1, Metz 1; Bastia 3, Red Star Paris 0; Bordeaux 3, Nantes 0.

Belgium: Union St. Gilloise 1, Racing White 0; FC Liege 1, Anderlecht 4; La Gantoise 2, FC Bruges 1; Ostende 2, Beringen 0; St. Trond 1, Standard Liege 3; Waregem 1, SC Charleroi 0; Beerschot 1, Lierse SK 1; Crossing 0, Beveren-Waas 2.

Yugoslavia: Vojvodina 2, Sarajevo 2; Vardar 3, Velez 3; Dinamo 1, OFK Belgrade 1; Hajduk 1, Olimpija 0; Zeleznicar 3, Bor 1; Radnicki Kra. 3, Zagreb 2; Sloboda 2, Maribor 0; Radnicki Nis 4, Celik 0; Partizan 1, Red Star 3.

Austria's Redl (white shirt) beats Scotland's John Greig and Ernie McGarr to open the score in their 2-0 victory. (UPI)

Hungary: Dunaujvaros 2, Ferencvaros 1; Ujpest Dozsa 2, Eger 0; Komlo 1, MTK 0; Vasas 3, Pecs 2; Tatabanya 2, Egyetertes 2; Raba ETO Gyor 4, Csepel 0; Salgotarjan 2, Honved 1; Diosgyor 0, Szombathely 0. (Midweek)—Vasas 4, Diosgyor 2; Csepel 1, MTK 1; Honved 0, Tatabanya 0; Egyetertes 1, Ferencvaros 0; Komlo 1, Ujpest Dozsa 1; Dunaujvaros 2, Raba ETO Gyor 0; Szombathely 2, Salgotarjan 1; Eger 0, Pecs 1.

Luxembourg: Spora Luxembourg 3, Avenir Beggen 1; Union Luxembourg 0, Jeunesse Esch 1; Rumelingen 3, Niedercorn 3; Stade Dudelingen 4, Aris Bonneweg 1; Red Boys Differdingen 4, US Dudelingen 1; Bad Mondorf 1, Tetingen 1.

Holland: Go Ahead 3, MVV Maastricht 3; Sparta Rotterdam 1, ADO den Haag 2; Ajax Amsterdam 4, Telstar 1; AZ'67 3, DWS Amsterdam 1; Holland Sport 0, Feijenoord 0; PSV Eindhoven 1, DOS Utrecht 0; GVAV Groningen 0, Twente 0; Taarlem 2, NAC Breda 1; NEC Nijmegen 4, SVV Schiedam 0.

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Greece: Kavala 1, Panathinaikos 2; AEK 2, PAOK 0; Ethnikos 0, Olympiakos Piraus 4; Aris 3, Olympiakos Wolos 0; Iraklis 2, Panionios 1; Panseraikos 2, Panachaiki 1; Proodeftiki 0, Aigaleo 0; Vyzas 2, Olympiakos Nikosia 2; OF Iraklion 3, Pierikos 3. (Midweek)—Olympiakos Nikosia 0, Proodeftiki 1; Aigaleo 2, Pierikos 1; Panseraikos 1, Iraklis 1; Olympiakos Wolos 2, Vyzas 1.

Eire: Shamrock Rovers 4, Waterford 1; Athlone Town 1, St. Patrick's Athletic 3; Bohemians 4, Drumcondra 4; Cork Celtic 2, Finn Hards 3; Drogheda 0, Limerick 1; Sligo Rovers 0, Cork Hibernians 1; Shelbourne 1, Dundalk 2.

League Tables

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Spartak Trnava	17	11	3	3	37	16	25
Slovan Bratislava	17	9	6	2	20	9	24
Inter Bratislava	17	8	5	4	29	17	21
VSS Kosice	17	7	6	4	22	15	20
Sparta	17	9	2	6	21	15	20
SKLO Uni. Teplice	17	7	5	5	18	10	19
ZVL Zilina	17	7	5	5	22	20	19
Lok. Kosice	17	6	6	5	21	16	18
Tatran Presov	17	6	5	6	14	12	17
Dukla Prague	17	6	5	6	25	24	17
Slavia	17	5	5	7	21	31	15
Jednota Trencin	17	4	6	7	16	17	14
TJ Gottwaldov	17	4	5	8	17	25	13
Banik Ostrava	17	2	7	8	9	22	11
ZONP Kladno	17	3	5	9	15	35	11
Bohemians	17	1	6	10	12	35	8

AUSTRIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Austria Wien	13	9	2	2	26	11	20
Wacker Innsbruck	13	9	1	3	26	10	19
Wiener Sportklub	13	8	2	3	27	12	18
Grazer AK	13	4	6	3	16	11	14
Sturm Graz	13	5	4	4	19	19	14
Vienna	13	3	8	2	13	15	14
Voest	13	6	2	5	13	22	14
Wattens	13	5	3	5	20	13	13
Linz ASK	13	5	3	5	14	9	13
Rapid	13	5	3	5	21	17	13
Austria Salzburg	13	6	1	6	20	18	13
Wacker Wien	13	4	2	7	26	14	10
Admira	13	4	2	7	15	24	10
Austria Klagenfurt	13	1	7	5	10	19	9
Eisenstadt	13	2	3	8	10	25	7
Dornbirn	13	2	3	8	12	29	7

BULGARIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Levski-Spartak	12	11	0	1	35	7	22
CSKA	12	9	1	2	31	12	19
Trakia	12	7	3	2	23	10	17
CSJ Slavia	12	5	4	3	15	13	14
Lokomotiv	12	6	2	4	23	20	14
Tchernomore	12	5	3	4	19	15	13
Etar	12	4	5	3	15	13	13
Dunav	12	5	2	5	11	11	12
Tchernomorex	12	3	6	3	13	14	12
Beroe	12	4	3	5	14	21	11
Spartak	12	4	2	6	9	28	10
Marek	12	4	1	7	21	22	9
Botev	12	4	0	8	12	20	8
Akademik	12	2	3	7	13	17	7
Krakra	12	2	2	8	11	28	6
Maritza	12	2	1	9	11	25	5

EAST GERMANY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Vorwaerts	13	7	5	1	27	14	19
Carl Zeiss Jena	13	7	3	3	21	11	17
Chemie Leipzig	13	6	5	2	15	10	17
Sachsenring	13	4	7	2	15	10	15
Stahl Riesa	13	6	3	4	17	14	15
Dyn. Dresden	13	6	2	5	19	17	14
RW Erfurt	13	4	5	4	18	21	13
Magdeburg	13	5	2	6	19	20	12
Dynamo Berlin	13	4	3	5	16	20	11
Chemie Halle	13	4	3	6	18	16	11
Wismut Aue	13	4	3	6	12	16	11
Karl-Marx-Stadt	13	3	4	6	12	21	9
Eisenhuttenstadt	13	1	6	5	6	17	8
Hansa Rostock	13	3	2	8	11	22	8

SWITZERLAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lugano	10	5	3	2	14	10	13
Servette	10	4	4	2	26	14	12
Zurich	10	4	4	2	18	13	12
Grasshoppers	10	5	2	3	13	9	12
Lausanne	10	3	6	1	19	16	12
Biel	10	5	1	4	11	13	11
Basle	10	3	4	3	15	13	10
Young Boys	10	4	2	4	15	19	10
La Chaux-de-Fonds	10	5	0	5	14	22	10
Fribourg	10	4	1	5	15	13	9
Winterthur	10	3	3	4	17	15	9
Wettingen	10	4	1	5	12	14	9
Bellinzona	10	1	4	5	6	14	6
St. Gallen	10	2	1	7	11	21	5

WEST GERMANY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Koln	13	9	1	3	35	13	19
B. Monchengladbach	13	8	3	2	25	11	19
Bayern Munchen	13	8	1	4	30	15	17
st. Dortmund	13	7	2	4	24	19	16
Hertha BSC	13	7	2	4	20	17	16
Hamburger SV	13	6	3	4	25	19	15
Schalke 04	13	6	3	4	18	19	15
RW Oberhausen	13	6	1	6	23	19	13
VfB Stuttgart	13	5	3	5	25	28	13
Hannover 96	13	5	2	6	20	21	12
E. Frankfurt	13	5	2	6	19	22	12
Kaiserslautern	13	4	4	5	15	18	12
RW Essen	13	3	5	5	17	21	11
MSV Duisberg	13	4	3	6	16	23	11
E. Brunswick	13	3	5	5	14	22	11
Werder Bremen	13	3	3	7	15	22	9
Ale. Aachen	13	3	2	8	14	29	8
TSV 1860 Munchen	13	2	1	10	9	26	5

ITALY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cagliari	9	6	3	0	11	3	15
Fiorentina	9	5	2	2	11	9	12
Inter-Milan	9	4	3	2	12	8	11
AC Milan	8	4	2	2	10	5	10
Lazio	9	4	2	3	11	7	10
Vicenza	9	4	2	3	13	9	10
Roma	9	4	2	3	11	11	10
Bologna	8	2	5	1	9	7	9
Torino	9	3	3	3	8	10	9
Bari	9	2	5	2	3	5	9
Verona	9	3	2	4	6	8	8
Juventus	9	2	3	4	9	9	7
Sampdoria	9	1	5	3	6	7	7
Napoli	9	2	3	4	5	7	7
Brescia	9	1	3	5	6	14	5
Palermo	9	0	3	6	7	19	3

DENMARK
(final league table)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
B 1903 Copenhagen	22	15	4	3	58	25	34
KB Copenhagen	22	14	2	6	58	38	30
Aalborg	22	12	5	5	52	26	29
Hvidovre	22	11	4	7	35	34	26
Horsens	22	9	6	7	39	36	24
Akademisk	22	9	5	8	32	36	23
B 1913 Odense	22	8	3	11	33	40	19
Vejle	22	6	5	11	33	42	17
B 1901 Nykoping	22	7	3	12	30	50	17
Frem Copenhagen	22	5	7	10	33	45	17
B 1909 Odense	22	6	4	12	44	56	16
Esbjerg	22	5	2	15	30	49	12

SWEDEN
(Final League Table)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Goteborg	22	13	5	4	39	20	31
Malmo FF	22	11	6	5	34	27	28
Djurgaarden	22	12	3	7	38	25	27
Atvidaberg	22	11	4	7	38	34	26
Orebro	22	10	5	7	33	27	25
Oester	22	9	4	9	37	27	22
Norrkoping	22	9	4	9	38	34	22
GAIS	22	7	6	9	31	36	20
AIK	22	5	7	10	21	25	17
Elfsborg	22	6	5	11	21	30	17
Jonkoping	22	5	5	12	19	51	15
Sirius	22	4	6	12	16	29	14

GREECE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Iraklis	8	6	1	1	14	6	21
Panathinaikos	7	6	1	0	17	5	20
Panseraikos	8	4	3	1	9	5	19
Olym. Piraus	7	5	0	2	13	6	17
Aris	7	4	1	2	11	4	16
AEK	7	4	1	2	12	6	16
Aigaleo	8	3	2	3	10	10	16
Proodeftiki	8	3	2	3	9	11	16
Pierikos	8	2	3	3	9	10	15
Olym. Wolos	8	3	1	4	7	13	15
Vyzas	8	2	2	4	9	17	14
PAOK	7	1	4	2	9	7	13
Ethnikos	7	1	4	2	6	10	13
OF Iraklion	7	2	2	3	6	10	13
Panionios	7	2	1	4	16	10	12
Kavala	7	2	1	4	6	10	12
Panachaiki	7	1	2	4	9	12	11
Olym. Nikosia	8	0	1	7	3	23	9

SPAIN

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Atletico Bilbao	11	8	2	1	19	6	18
Atletico Madrid	11	7	3	1	19	7	17
Granada	11	6	3	2	14	9	15
Real Madrid	11	5	4	2	20	14	14
Sevilla	11	6	1	4	13	12	13
Real Zaragosa	11	5	2	4	10	11	12
Valencia	11	4	4	3	8	6	12
Real Sociedad	11	6	0	5	16	15	12
Celta Vigo	11	4	3	4	13	11	11
Barcelona	11	4	3	4	15	16	11
Elche	11	4	1	6	14	21	9
Las Palmas	11	3	2	6	14	17	8
Sabadell	11	3	2	6	11	14	8
Coruna	11	3	2	6	8	11	8
Pontevedra	11	1	2	8	8	18	4
Mallorca	11	2	0	9	15	29	4

RUMANIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dinamo Bucharest	11	7	1	3	23	12	15
Rapid	11	6	3	2	20	11	15
Uni. Craiova	11	6	3	2	19	11	15
Arges	11	5	3	3	24	14	13
Dinamo Bacau	12	5	3	4	18	15	13
Jiul	12	6	1	5	17	16	13
Farul	12	6	1	5	16	18	13
Steagul rosu	12	6	0	6	19	23	12
UT Arad	12	5	2	5	15	20	12
Uni. Cluj	12	3	5	4	16	16	11
Steaua	10	4	2	4	26	19	10
Crisul	12	4	2	6	17	25	10
CFR Cluj	12	4	2	6	10	19	10
Petrolul	10	3	3	4	12	13	9
ARA Tirgu-Mures	12	3	1	8	10	22	7
Politehnica	12	2	2	8	7	15	6

FRANCE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Etienne	14	11	3	0	49	17	25
Bordeaux	15	8	3	4	27	19	19
Marseille	14	7	4	3	22	12	18
Strasbourg	15	8	1	6	34	29	17
Sedan/RCP	15	5	6	4	21	21	16
Nantes	14	6	3	5	26	22	15
Nimes	15	6	3	6	29	23	15
Angouleme	15	4	7	4	21	19	15
Sochaux	14	4	6	4	22	22	14
Angers	14	5	4	5	25	26	14
Red Star Paris	14	4	5	5	23	30	13
Rouen	15	4	5	6	24	25	13
Metz	15	4	5	6	19	22	13
Lyon	15	5	3	7	28	36	13
Ajaccio	15	5	2	8	14	19	12
Valenciennes	15	4	4	7	18	27	12
Bastia	15	5	1	9	23	34	11
Rennes	15	2	5	8	22	44	9

BELGIUM

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Standard Liege	11	8	2	1	24	8	18
Beerschot	11	6	3	2	15	5	15
La Gantoise	11	7	1	3	23	13	15
Beveren	11	5	4	2	17	10	14
FC Bruges	11	6	2	3	19	16	14
Lierse SK	11	4	5	2	14	8	13
Waregem	12	4	5	3	14	19	13
Anderlecht	10	4	3	3	22	11	11
U. St.Gilloise	11	3	5	3	9	13	11
Ostende	11	3	3	5	11	17	9
Racing White	11	3	3	5	15	22	9
St. Trond	11	2	4	5	11	20	8
Beringen	12	2	4	6	8	16	8
FC Liege	11	3	1	7	16	20	7
Crossing	12	2	3	7	10	23	7
SC Charleroi	11	2	2	7	10	17	6

HOLLAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ajax	14	13	0	1	38	8	26
Feijenoord	13	11	2	0	35	5	24
PSV	14	9	3	2	31	15	21
ADO	14	6	5	3	22	15	17
NAC Breda	14	6	4	4	15	14	16
Twente	14	6	4	4	17	16	16
NEC	14	6	3	5	18	15	15
NAVV	14	4	7	3	21	19	15
Holland Sport	14	6	3	5	19	21	15
Haarlem	14	5	5	4	12	15	15
Sparta	14	5	4	5	22	22	14
Go Ahead	14	4	5	5	14	19	13
Telstar	14	3	3	8	13	19	9
AZ'67 Alkmaar	13	2	4	7	11	20	8
FWG	14	3	1	10	11	24	7
GVAV	14	2	3	9	9	23	7
SVV	14	2	3	9	17	39	7
DOS	14	1	3	10	6	22	5

LUXEMBOURG

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Jeunesse Esch	8	6	1	1	23	7	13
Rumelingen	9	6	1	2	22	11	13
Red Boys	8	5	2	1	21	13	12
Spora	9	5	2	2	17	13	12
Union	9	4	3	2	21	8	11
Niedercorn	9	1	6	2	12	14	8
Avenir Beggen	9	3	2	4	10	14	8
Aris Bonneweg	8	3	1	4	11	15	7
Stade	8	3	0	5	15	14	6
Tetingen	9	1	3	5	5	17	5
Dudelingen	8	0	4	4	7	18	4
Bad Mondorf	8	1	1	6	10	30	3

YUGOSLAVIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Red Star	14	10	2	2	33	13	22
Zeleznicar	14	9	3	2	26	11	21
Radnicki Nis	14	9	1	4	21	13	19
Dinamo	14	6	6	2	24	15	18
Velez	14	6	6	2	29	21	18
Sloboda	14	6	4	4	15	11	16
OFK Belgrade	14	5	6	3	15	13	16
Hajduk	14	7	1	6	22	15	15
Sarajevo	14	5	5	4	17	15	15
Partizan	14	6	3	5	16	17	15
Ilor	14	3	7	4	10	15	13
Maribor	14	6	1	7	17	24	13
Vojvodina	14	4	4	6	18	21	12
Radnicki Kra.	14	4	3	7	15	19	11
Vardar	14	5	1	8	13	19	11
Celik	14	2	4	8	12	25	8
Olimpija	14	2	1	11	11	29	5
Zagreb	14	0	4	10	6	24	4

HUNGARY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ujpest Dozsa	29	20	7	2	82	26	47
Honved	29	17	8	4	61	26	42
Ferencvaros	29	15	9	5	54	28	39
Vasas	29	17	3	9	71	43	37
Raba ETO Gyor	29	12	9	8	52	35	33
Pecs	29	13	5	11	38	35	31
Csepel	29	11	9	9	36	35	31
Tatabanya	29	9	8	12	31	41	26
Salgotarjan	29	10	5	14	29	38	25
MTK	29	9	7	13	43	53	25
Szombathely	29	7	11	11	26	42	25
Komlo	29	5	11	11	20	36	21
Diosgyor	29	7	8	14	28	48	22
Dunaujvaros	29	9	4	16	26	48	22
Egyetertes	29	6	8	15	29	51	20
Eger	29	5	6	18	22	63	16

CHILE
(National Championship)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Section A:							
Colo Colo (2)	13	9	3	1	27	12	23
Rangers (5)	13	5	5	3	19	15	20
Un. Espanola (4)	13	5	3	5	17	18	17
La Serena (0)	13	5	5	3	16	14	15
Everton (3)	13	3	5	5	21	24	14
O'Higgins (0)	13	5	3	5	13	16	13
Au. Italiano (1)	13	2	7	4	15	17	12
Antofagasta (0)	13	3	5	5	12	19	11
Magallanes (0)	13	3	4	6	20	26	10

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Section B:							
Wanderers (0)	13	9	4	0	29	12	22
Uni. de Chile (5)	13	7	1	5	22	16	20
Huachipato (2)	13	3	8	2	14	14	16
Green Cross (4)	13	3	5	5	20	17	15
Palestino (3)	13	4	4	5	20	19	15
Uni. Catolica (0)	13	5	4	4	25	22	14
Concepcion (0)	13	3	4	6	12	14	10
Uni. Calera (1)	13	2	5	6	15	25	10
San. Morning (0)	13	3	1	9	13	30	7

Note: Top three in each Section play-off for National title. Tables do not balance because place points (in brackets) are carried forward from Metropolitan and Provincial Championships and one inter-sectional game is played per week.

ARGENTINA
(National Championship)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Boca Juniors	12	11	1	0	29	7	23
Independiente	12	9	2	1	25	6	20
River Plate	12	7	4	1	24	8	18
S. Lorenzo (BA)	12	7	3	2	28	15	17
Huracan	12	7	3	2	18	8	17
Quilmes	12	7	0	5	24	18	14
Racing	12	4	3	5	14	14	11
S. Martin (Mendoza)	12	2	7	3	14	22	11
Desamparados	12	4	2	6	19	27	10
Lanus	12	4	2	6	12	14	10
Velez Sarsfield	12	2	6	4	8	10	10
Estudiantes	12	4	1	7	17	21	9
Union Santa Fe	12	2	5	5	13	17	9
Chacarita Jun.	12	2	5	5	13	20	9
Platense	12	2	4	6	16	21	8
Talleres	12	3	2	7	14	27	8
S. Martin (Tucuman)	12	2	4	6	11	23	8
S. Lorenzo (M.d. Plata)	12	2	0	10	14	35	4

URUGUAY
(First Division)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Nacional	16	13	3	0	36	7	29
Penarol	15	8	5	2	21	10	21
Racing	16	7	7	2	23	15	21
River Plate	15	4	8	3	19	19	16
Bella Vista	15	5	5	5	16	13	15
Sudamerica	15	5	4	6	18	16	14
Rampla Juniors	16	3	7	6	15	23	13
Liverpool	16	3	6	7	12	21	12
Cerro	15	3	4	8	6	13	10
Danubio	16	3	4	9	15	26	10
Defensor	15	2	5	8	8	26	9

NORTHERN IRELAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ards	5	3	2	0	8	4	8
Derry	5	3	1	1	11	4	7
Coleraine	5	3	1	1	9	5	7
Glentoran	5	3	1	1	6	4	7
Crusaders	5	3	0	2	14	8	6
Distillery	5	3	0	2	11	10	6
Glenavon	5	2	2	1	7	9	6
Bangor	5	2	1	2	8	8	5
Linfield	5	2	0	3	8	9	4
Portadown	5	1	0	4	8	15	2
Ballymena	5	1	0	4	6	12	2
Chiltonville	5	0	0	5	1	9	0

PORTUGAL

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sporting	9	8	1	0	21	3	17
Benfica	9	6	0	3	24	4	12
Varzim	9	4	4	1	10	7	12
Setubal	9	4	3	2	14	9	11
Leixoes	9	5	0	4	12	11	10
Academica	9	3	3	3	15	16	9
Porto	9	3	3	3	13	15	9
Barreirense	9	3	2	4	17	15	8
Belenenses	9	3	2	4	12	13	8
Braga	9	3	2	4	9	17	8
Guimaraes	9	2	3	4	12	15	7
Uniao de Tomar	9	2	2	5	9	18	6
Boavista	9	1	3	5	12	26	5
CUF	9	2	0	7	7	18	4

EIRE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dundalk	8	7	1	0	14	4	15
Waterford	8	7	0	1	20	7	14
Cork Hibs	8	6	1	1	13	6	13
Shamrock	8	4	3	1	16	7	11
Finn Harps	8	5	1	2	17	11	11
St. Patrick's	8	5	0	3	12	9	10
Limerick	8	4	1	3	9	7	9
Shelbourne	8	2	3	3	13	9	7
Sligo Rovers	8	2	2	4	7	15	6
Drogheda	8	2	1	5	5	14	4
Drumcondra	8	1	2	5	10	18	4
Bohemians	8	1	1	6	8	16	3
Cork Celtic	8	0	2	6	6	16	2
Athlone Town	8	0	2	6	6	17	2

PERU

1.	Defensor Arica	13 Pts
2.	Municipal	12 "
3.	Universitario	11 "
4.	Sport Boys	10 "
5.	Juan Aurich	9 "
	Alianza Lima	9 "
7.	Carlos Manucci	7 "
	Po. Miraflores	7 "
	Sp. Cristal	7 "
	Defensor Lima	7 "
11.	Atletico Grau	6 "
	Espinoza	6 "
13.	Centro Iqueno	5 "
14.	KDT	3 "

PARAGUAY

1.	Guarani	29 Pts.
2.	Olimpio	23 "
3.	Cerro	22 "
4.	Sp. Luqueno	18 "
5.	Nacional	17 "
6.	Sol d. America	16 "
7.	River Plate	14 "
	Libertad	14 "
9.	Rubio Nu	10 "
10.	San Lorenzo	7 "

COLOMBIA

1.	Deportivo Cali	33 Pts.
2.	Millionarios	31 "
3.	Deportivo Quindio	27 "
4.	Dep. Pereira	26 "
5.	America de Cali	23 "
6.	Baranquilla	22 "
	Tolima	22 "
8.	Once Caldas	18 "
9.	Santa Fe	16 "
10.	Nacional	14 "
11.	Cucuta	13 "
	Bucaramanga	13 "
13.	Medellin	10 "
	Uni. Magdalena	10 "

NORWAY
(Final League Table)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rosenborg	18	13	1	4	36	13	27
Fredrikstad	18	8	6	4	28	15	22
Strompodset	18	8	6	4	34	22	22
Skeid	18	9	2	7	29	22	20
Viking	18	6	6	6	18	17	18
Brann	18	6	6	6	20	26	18
Sarpsborg	18	6	5	7	22	22	17
Hodd	18	4	4	10	24	39	12
Start	18	5	2	11	20	35	12
Lyn Oslo	18	4	4	10	21	39	12

GUATEMALA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Municipal	18	13	4	1	33	9	30
Comunicaciones	17	12	4	1	38	9	28
Aurora	18	9	6	3	32	12	24
Cementos Novella	18	6	8	4	34	23	20
RGM Escuintla	18	7	3	8	31	35	17
Pepsi-Cola	18	6	4	8	20	24	16
Universidad	17	6	3	8	24	30	15
Tip Nac	17	3	5	9	15	30	11
Xelaju M.C.	17	3	3	11	22	44	9
Suchitepequez	18	1	4	13	11	44	6

EL SALVADOR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Atletico Marte	26	13	10	3	30	15	36
Sonsonate	26	16	3	7	42	26	35
Deportivo FAS	26	15	4	7	49	28	34
Aguila	27	13	6	8	47	27	32
Alianza	27	11	8	8	33	36	30
Adler	26	10	6	10	36	40	26
Universidad	26	7	7	12	28	40	21
Juventus Olimpica	25	6	6	13	29	40	18
Atlante	26	6	5	15	27	46	17
II Municipal	25	3	5	17	27	56	11

COSTA RICA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Saprissa	27	16	9	2	78	32	41
Alajuelense	27	18	4	5	75	38	40
Cartagines	27	16	7	4	59	28	39
Puntarenas	27	10	11	6	48	38	31
Herediano	27	9	6	12	49	53	24
Barrio Mexico	27	8	7	12	39	45	23
Uruguay	27	6	8	13	38	60	20
San Remo	26	7	6	13	31	69	20
Limon	26	5	5	16	33	60	15
San Carlos	27	4	7	16	42	75	15

RUSSIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Spartak Moscow	26	19	5	2	40	11	43
Dynamo Kiev	24	16	6	2	35	7	38
Dynamo Tbilisi	24	11	10	3	30	15	32
Dynamo Moscow	26	12	7	7	44	28	31
Torpedo Moscow	26	11	9	6	29	19	31
CSKA Moscow	26	10	9	7	19	14	29
Neftschi Baku	26	6	11	9	26	27	23
Tschernomorea O.	26	7	7	12	17	26	21
Zenit Leningrad	26	6	9	11	21	34	21
Schachtjor Don.	26	6	8	12	20	28	20
Sarja Lugansk	26	5	9	12	21	30	19
SKA Rostow	26	6	7	13	23	37	19
Dynamo Minsk	26	5	9	12	14	31	19
Torpedo Kutaisi	26	4	6	16	20	50	14

WORLD CUP QUALIFYING GAMES

GROUP 15 (1):
(matches played at Seoul, South Korea)

OCTOBER 10

Australia (1) 3 (McColl, Ogi o.g., Baartz) 10,000
Japan (1) 1 (Watanabe)

Australia: Corry; Keith, Ackerley; Warren, Schaeffer, Marnoch; McColl, Abonyi, Baartz, Watkiss, Perin (Vojtek).

Japan: Yokoyama; Katayama, Onishi; Mori, Yamaguchi, Kamata; Watanabe (M. Kimura), Ogi (M. Miyamoto), Kuwahara, Miyamoto (T.), Sugiyama.

OCTOBER 12

South Korea (2) 2 (Kim Ki Bok, Park Soo II) 40,000
Japan (1) 2 (T. Miyamoto, Kuwahara)

South Korea: Lee Sae Yun; Seo Yoon Chan, Kim Jung Suk; Lim Kook Chan (Park Lee Chun), Kim Ho, Kim Jung Nam; Park Soo II, Lee Lee Woo, Lee Hae Tak, Kim Ki Bok, Yung Byung Taik (Hong In Woong).

OCTOBER 14

Australia (1) 2 (Baartz, McColl) 18,000
South Korea (1) 1 (Lee Lee Woo)

Australia: Corry; Keith, Ackerley; Warren, Schaeffer, Marnoch; McColl (Manuel), Abonyi, Baartz, Watkiss, Vojtek.

South Korea: So Cho Myung; Kim Yung Suk, Chu Chung So; Seo Yoon Chan, Kim Ho, Kim Yung Nam; Park Lee Chun, Lee Hae Tak, Lee Lee Woo, Kim Ki Bok (Hong In Woong), Park Soo II.

OCTOBER 16

Japan (1) 1 (T. Miyamoto)
Australia (1) 1 (McColl) 5,000

Japan: Yokoyama; Katayama, Moei (Kawano); Kunieda, Yamaguchi, Kamata; Kuwahara, Ogi, Matsumoto (Watanabe), Miyamoto (T.), Sugiyama.

Australia: Corry; Keith Ackerley; Warren, Schaeffer, Marnoch; McColl, Abonyi, Baartz, Watkiss, Vojtek.

OCTOBER 18

South Korea (2) 2 (Chung Kang Chi 2) 25,000
Japan (0) 0

South Korea: Lee Sae Yun; Seo Yoon Chan, Lim Kook Chan; Kim Jung Suk, Kim Ho, Kim Jung Nam; Chung Kang, Chi, Lee Hae Tak (Park Lee Chan), Lee Lee Woo (Park Soo II), Hong In Woong, Jung Byung Taik.

Japan: Funamoto; Katayama, Kunieda; Mori, Yamaguchi, Kikukawa (Kamata); Watanabe, Yaguchi (M. Miyamoto), Kuwahara, Ogi, Sugiyama.

OCTOBER 20

South Korea (1) 1 (Park Soo II)
Australia (1) 1 (Baartz) 25,000

South Korea: Son Cho Myung; Kim Jung Suk, Cho Chung Soo; Seo Yoon Chan, Kim Ho, Kim Jung Nam; Lee Lee Woo, Park Soo II, Kim Ki Bok, Park Lee Chan, Lee Hae Taik.

Australia: Corry; Keith, Ackerley; Warren, Schaeffer, Marnoch (Zeman); McColl, Abonyi (Rutherford), Baartz, Perin, Vojtek.

NOVEMBER 2

Group 1:
Switzerland (0) 1 (Kunzli) 30,000
Portugal (1) 1 (Eusebio)

Switzerland: Prosperi; Chapuisat, Ramseier; Guggisberg, Guyot, Perroud; Jeandupeux (Brenna), Ruegg (Odermatt), Kunzli, Vuilleumier, Kuhn.

Portugal: Damas; Conceicao, Hilario; Tome, Humberto, Rodrigues; Rolando (Goncalves), Simoes, Guerreiro, Eusebio, Peres (Marinho).

Group 4:
France (3) 3 (Bras 2, Djorkaeff pen.) 15,000
Sweden (0) 0

France: Carnus; Djorkaeff, Rustagni, Michel, Novi, Bosquier; Bras, Bruissart, Loubet, Lech, Bereta.

Sweden: Hellstrom; Ericsson, Grip; Svensson, Kristensson, Nordquist; Magnusson, Grahn, Turesson, Larsson (B.), Johansson (Eklund).

NOVEMBER 5

Group 2:
Hungary (1) 4 (Halmosi, Bene, Puskas, Kocsis) 30,000
Eire (0) 0

Hungary: Tamas; Keleman, Ihasz; Halmosi, Pancsics, Szucs; Fazekas, Gorocs (Kocsis), Bene, Dunai II (Puskas), Zambo.

Eire: Kelly; Brennan, Dunne; Conway, Dempsey, Mulligan; Rogers, Conroy (Treacy), Givens, Dunphy, Kinnear.

Group 3:
Italy (1) 4 (Riva 3, Mazzola) 90,000
Wales (0) 1 (England)

Italy: Albertosi; Burgnich, Facchetti; Bertini (Juliano), Puia, Salvadore; Domenghini, Rivera, Anastasi (Mazzola), De Sisti, Riva.

Wales: Sprake; Thomas, Derrett; Durbar, England, Moore (G.); Toshack, Yorath, Krzywicki, Hole, Rees (Reece).

Group 7:
Austria (1) 2 (Redl 2) 11,000
Scotland (0) 0

Austria: Harreither; Wallner, Fak; Geyer, Sturmberger, Schmidt-Radner; Parits, Hof, Kaiser (Hickersberger), Ettmayer, Redl.

Scotland: McGarr; Greig, Burns; Murdoch, McKinnon, Stanton; Cooke (Stein), Bremner, Gilzean, Curran (Lorimer), Gray.

NOVEMBER 9

Group 8:
Poland (1) 3 (Jarosik 2, Dejna) 80,000
Bulgaria (0) 0

Poland: Kostka; Latocha, Anczuk; Dejna, Winkler, Ostizlo, Zmijewski, Szoltysik, Lubanski, Bula, Jarosik.

Bulgaria: Simeonov (Filopov); Shalamanov, Aladjov; Penev, Jetschev, Dimitrov; Jekov, Dermendijev, Kolev, Boney, Maraschijev.

NOVEMBER 16

Group 1:
Rumania (1) 1 (Dembrowski)
Greece (0) 1 (Domasos) 90,000

Rumania: Radacaru; Satmareanu, Deleanu; Dinu, Halmageanu, Dan Coe; Dembrowski, Dobrin, Dumitrache, Nunweiller, Lucescu.

Greece: Ikonomopoulos; Gaitatzis, Dimitriou; Domasos, Kamaras, Spyridon; Koudas, Sideris, Papaioannou, Chaitas, Eleftherakis.

Group 4:
Turkey (1) 1 (Ender) 35,000
Russia (2) 3 (Asatiani 2, Kmelnitsky)

Turkey: Ali; Ayhan, Erman; Yilmaz, Ergun, Kamuran; Elmastasbogu, Nihat, Bartu, Metin, Ender.

Russia: Kavasaschvili; Dsodsuashvili, Lowtschew; Khurtsilava, Shesternev, Serebrannikov; Muntjan, Asatiani, Byshovets, Kmelnitsky, Nodija.

NOVEMBER 22

Italy (3) 3 (Mazzola, Domenghini, Riva) 80,000
East Germany (0) 0

Italy: Zoff; Burgnich, Facchetti; Cera (Juliano), Puia, Salvadore; Chiarugi, Mazzola, Domenghini, de Sisti, Riva.

East Germany: Crpy; Fraessdorf (Rock), Urbanczyk; Seehaus, Bransch, Koerner; Stein, Lowe (Ducke), Frenzel, Irmscher, Vogel.

NOVEMBER 23
(played in Salisbury, Rhodesia)

Group 15 (3):
Australia (0) 1 (Coll) 5,000
Rhodesia (0) 1 (Chalmers)

Australia: Corry; Keith, Ackerley; Alston, Schaeffer, Marnoch; Rutherford, Abonyi, Baartz, Walsh, Coll.

Rhodesia: Jordan; Knowles, Chibuya; Sibanda, Tegire, Hannddon; Chalmers, Robertson, Granger, Nxumalo, Shaya.

INTERNATIONALS

OCTOBER 22

Mexico (2) 3 (Mancilla 2, Langarica)
Bermuda (0) 0

Mexico: Palcias; Santana, Sandoval; Urbina, Rodriguez, Uribe; Barba, Langarica, Mancilla, Sales, Sabater.

Bermuda: Nesum; Hunt, Simons; Darrell (W. Trott), Daniels, Cann (Russell); Brangman, Tucker, Dowling, Frost, Horton.

NOVEMBER 5

Holland (0) 0 35,000
England (0) 1 (Bell)

Holland: Treytel; Drost, Eykenbroeck; Veentra (Muhren), Israel, Eykenbroeck; Cruyff, Mulder, Van Hanegem (Van Dijk), Rijnders, Rensenbrink.

England: Bonetti; Wright, Hughes; Mullery, Charlton (J.), Moore (B.); Lee, Bell, Charlton (B.), Hurst, Peters.

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Mexico (1) 1 (Onofre) 50,000
Belgium (0) 0

Mexico: Calderon; Alejandrez (Sanchez Galindo), Perez; Onofre, Pena, Nunez; Ponce (Mungula), Velarde, Alvarado, Pereda (Borja), Padilla.

Belgium: Pilot; Heylens, Thissen; Van Moer, Dewalque, Jeck; Verheyen, Dockx, Van Puymbroeck, Polleunis, Janssens (Depireux).

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Mexico (2) 4 (Onofre, Padilla, Ponce 2) 10,000
Norway (0) 0

Mexico: Calderon; Alejandrez, Perez; Onofre (Mungula), Pena, Nunez; Ponce, Velarde, Alvarado, Pereda (Lopez), Padilla.

Norway: Haftorsen; Eggen, Slinning; Bornoe, Thorsen, Olafsen; Olsen, Gulbrandsen (Spydevold), Iversen, Johansen, Satrang (Hestad).

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